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Shanghai witnessed another exhibition of hooliganism by the Italian armed forces last night, when a large party of Italian marines attacked a much smaller band of British, French and American Servicemen and wrecked the Little Club Cabaret.

The Italians, says Reuter, consisted of between 35 to 40 marines, who deliberately started a free-for-all fight with a small group of British, French and American sailors and soldiers.

Two Russian taxi-dancers were injured, one of whom has been taken to hospital.

FRENCH SUFFER

Three French sailors received severe head wounds, a number of British soldiers and American marines suffered slighter injuries and three or four Italians are reported to have been temporarily knocked out.

The fight started, according to an eye-witness, when the party of Italians, who entered about midnight, brushed against a Seaforth Highlander.

Without more ado the Italians picked up beer bottles and attacked the Scotsman, causing a severe cut above the eyes.

PREMISES WRECKED

During the ensuing free-for-all the Italians completely wrecked the premises. Chairs, tables and doors were smashed, glasses and bottles broken and tapestries torn down.

Some of the Russian taxi-dancers took refuge in the kitchen, while others fled into the street.

As result of a telephone call to Italian Headquarters by the manager, Italian officers were sent to the Cabaret and took their men back to barracks in lorries.

ANOTHER S'HA
PUPPET KILLED

SHANGHAI TO-DAY.
DR. S. T. SHIE, A JUNIOR
OFFICIAL OF THE PRO-JAPANESE
REFORMED GOV.

Axis Military
Movement

London, To-day.

In spite of officially inspired efforts to minimise the effects of Italy's occupation of Albania, the gravity of the crisis and its implications are everywhere evident behind the scenes.

Well-informed circles reveal that the Government has received information of further large-scale German and Italian troop and plane movements.

Considerable uneasiness has been caused by these daily reports of Axis military measures, and there is a feeling that some sudden move may be made.

"The Times" diplomatic correspondent says that yesterday's Cabinet meeting definitely considered the offer of a guarantee to Greece similar to that given to Poland.

The correspondent says that Greek uneasiness is more than justified by the new situation created by the invasion of Albania.

Italy can now line 150 miles of Greek frontier with troops, and several strategically important Greek islands have been brought within gun range of Italian batteries in Albania.

TURKEY WATCHING

"The Times," in a message from its Istanbul correspondent, says that no attempt is made in the Turkish capital to conceal the gravity of the new situation.

There is a general feeling in Turkey, Yugo-Slavia and Greece, says "The Times," that all now depends on the Democracies, and especially Britain.

CHALLENGE TO BE FACED

The diplomatic correspondent of the journal says that Britain will have to face the Italian challenge in the Mediterranean.

Italy's intentions in the Eastern Mediterranean are suspect, he says, despite the "assurances" given by

ERNMENT" WAS SHOT DEAD IN AN ALLEYWAY IN THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT THIS MORNING.

Two men were responsible for the murder and both escaped.

A Chinese constable who tried to intervene was shot and wounded, and two Chinese were killed by stray shots.

ITALY CALLS
200,000 MORE
TO THE COLOURS

Rome, To-day.

Various classes of reservists are reported to have been called to the Colours yesterday, to replace troops sent to Albania.

Most of the reservists are reported to be of the 1912 class, and it is stated they have been called up for a brief duration. Their number is unofficially given as 200,000.

A report that the British decision regarding Albania may be left to Parliament, has aroused hope in Italian political circles that Italy's action may be passed over with nothing stronger than a diplomatic Note from London.

Italy is watching jealously every word written about Corfu, and some circles threaten that if Corfu is occupied against Italy, she will march on Salonika. — Reuter.

the Italian charge d'affaires in London.

It is known that Italy has concentrated more planes and ships at the Dodacanese Islands.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that Italy can now close the Adriatic and bottle up Yugo-Slavia, with Nazi assistance.

With her new frontier, Italy can intimidate both Greece and Yugo-

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Organisation Still To Be Carried Out

FOUR MONTHS DELAY FOR TERRITORIALS

The recent announcement by Mr. Hore-Belisha of the creation of a Field Force of 19 divisions involves a whole range of other problems which are doubtless being considered.

The Force is to consist of 13 infantry divisions (four Regular and 9 Territorial), three mobile divisions (two Regular and one Territorial), and three motorised divisions (all Territorial).

Mr. Hore-Belisha also indicated that, if a field Force were required overseas, it would go out in series and, by the time that the last of the series had left, fresh troops would be available and trained to augment the original Field Force.

The approximate time at which army corps for the mobile divisions the various echelons are likely to be ready can be only a matter of speculation. It is probable that no part of the Field Force would go out until the intensive phases of air attack had been exhausted.

AIR ATTACKS ON TRANSPORTS

The movement of the Field Force, its embarkation and disembarkation, might be an extremely difficult operation in the face of intense bombing attacks. The first echelon, therefore, of two Regular divisions to be followed by two others and the two mobile divisions, would be the first to leave our shores, after a pause of such time as might be required to overcome these intensive attacks. I suggest that it might be a matter of weeks.

During this time the Territorial Army, in so far as it would not require to maintain internal order and provide internal security, would be training hard.

How long this period is likely to be must depend on the degree of readiness of the Territorial divisions, which may vary considerably, no less than upon the general military situation.

It might be about four months. Individual Territorial units of particularly high quality were actually fighting in France in 1914, but without going into the past, there is much to be done before they can be adequately trained as Divisions.

Commanders and staffs need experience, the mass of mechanical transport to which Territorial units are hardly accustomed is a complex subject, while they are a number of new weapons as well as a new organisation with which they are not yet familiar.

Provided the military situation permits, it would be a great mistake to send them over in a raw state. No doubt, some will be able to leave earlier than others, but it would not be safe to count upon less than about four months before the Territorial Divisions move to the Continent.

FORMATION OF HEADQUARTERS

There comes the question of the number of corps headquarters to be formed. This would be a gradual process, but when the whole field force of 19 divisions is constituted, it should probably have to prepare

and perhaps one army corps for the three motorised divisions. In addition there would be possibly two or three Army Headquarters and a G.H.Q.

No doubt some of the existing Commands could form the earlier Corps Headquarters, but the additional needs of the whole Field Force is a formidable matter, and the expansion of signal units, in particular for the Formation Headquarters, would be considerable.

In addition to the creation of headquarters, a number of corps units would be required if the present establishments are adhered to, such as two machine-gun battalions per corps, corps cavalry and medium artillery; and for Army troops more medium and heavy artillery, workshops and R.A. S. C. units, as well as a number of G.H.Q. lines of communication units.

While some of these units might be improvised after mobilisation, the combatant ones should be formed in time of peace unless efficiency is to suffer.

PROVISION OF EQUIPMENT

The whole question of material is also a very big one. It is true factories are now turning out weapons and vehicles on a steadily increasing scale, but some are still only experimental. In any case, considerable time must elapse before the 19 divisions of the Territorial Army would be fully provided with their mobilisation equipment.

In the coming training season, the first under the new organisation, Territorials will be provided in most cases with weapons and vehicles on a training scale only, and even the Regular Army will not be complete.

The delays and difficulties as well as the organisation still required are mentioned not to belittle the decision to form a Field Force of 19 divisions, but to emphasise that much still remains to be done and how much time must elapse before the Field Force can be a live organisation.

Finally there is the question of the air squadron, that will be necessary when the Field Force is fully constituted. Group Captain L. G. S. Payne estimates that about 25 Army Co-operation Squadrons would be needed as well as a considerable number of fighters.

Mice

New York, March 31.

Every effort is to be made to kill mice which have been seen running about the White House before the King and Queen visit the President and Mrs. Roosevelt there on June 8.

MOSLEMS IN LONDON ROUSED BY DUCE'S STEP

LONDON, TO-DAY.

LEADING MOSLEMS IN LONDON, MEETING YESTERDAY, DEMANDED THAT MUSSOLINI SHOULD RENOUNCE THE TITLE "DEFENDER OF ISLAM," WHICH IL DUCE ASSUMED AFTER THE ABYSSINIAN CONQUEST.

They also urged that the Oriental Academy, opened in Italy five years ago, should be closed as a protest against Fascist propaganda in India, Egypt and the East.

The meeting sent a deputation to the Italian Embassy to communicate these demands.—Reuter.

WANG CHING-WEI RUMOURS

Shanghai, To-day.

Unconfirmed messages are again circulating that Mr. Wang Ching-wei, expelled member of the Kuomintang, recently arrived here from Hong Kong.

It is also added that the former Chinese Government official was accompanied by his Hong Kong agent, Mr. P. S. Lin, who was attacked last year in the streets of Hong Kong.—Our Own Correspondent.

NO WORD ABOUT SAGRES

The British steamer "Sagres," chartered by the Douglas Steamship Company and seized by the Japanese on Saturday, is still being held at Baku, in the Pescadores.

Messrs. Williamson and Co., the agents, said this morning that no word had been received from the Master of the "Sagres."

The naval authorities this morning also stated that they had no further information.

DR. SCHACHT A TOURIST

Bombay, To-day.

Dr. Hermann Schacht, former President of the Reichsbank, arrived here yesterday.

He told pressmen he was merely on a sightseeing tour, and would visit India's beauty spots.—Reuter.

EGYPT ASKED TO MEDIATE IN PALESTINE DISPUTE

Cairo, To-day.

Important developments in regard to British policy in Palestine are expected here.

It is reliably learned that the Egyptian Ambassador in London, Hassan Nahat Pasha, is expected to arrive here to-day with British proposals for rapid settlement of the Palestine problem.

The British Ambassador, Sir Miles Lampson, during Easter called several times on the Egyptian Premier, and it is believed he mooted the possibility of Egyptian mediation in the dispute.

Immediately after Easter, it is reported, discussions will open between the Egyptian Premier, the British Ambassador and Amir Faisal, King Ibn Saud's representative in Cairo.

No details regarding the British proposals are known, but the possibility of concessions to the Arabs is mentioned.—Reuter.

PASSENGERS ON PORTUGUESE SHIP RELEASED

Shanghai, To-day.

Passengers on board the Portuguese vessels, detained by Japanese navy at Woosung, are being released, and it is learned that all passengers on one of the boats were allowed ashore yesterday escorted by Japanese soldiers.

Some of the Chinese passengers were taken to Hongkew where they are still detained.

It is understood that the Portuguese Consul-General will officially protest this morning to the Japanese authorities.—Our Own Correspondent.

ARMY FOOTBALL CUP

Aldershot, To-day.

The 5th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, yesterday won the Army Association Football Cup, beating the 2nd Battalion, Durham Light Infantry, in the final.—Reuter.

6-FOOT MANIAC CLUBS DANCER

NEW YORK, MARCH 30. HUNDREDS OF POLICE SEARCHED HOLLYWOOD TO-DAY FOR A 6FT. MANIAC WHO LAST NIGHT BLUDGEONED INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS DELIA BOGART, FILM DANCER, IN A LONELY STREET NEAR HER HOME.

While doctors fought to save Delia's life, other actresses were warned not to go out alone until the maniac had been captured.

He is believed to be the same man who last month battered to death Russian dancer Anya Sosoyeva. That crime was committed a short distance from where Delia was attacked.

Delia, who was shortly to star in a picture with Jackie Cooper, was saved from death by housewife Mrs. Laura Lee, who beat off the mysterious maniac with a golf club.

OTHER WOMEN JOINED HER

"I heard screams. I looked out of the window and saw a man standing over Miss Bogart's body and swinging a club," said Mrs. Lee.

"I seized a club from my husband's golf bag and rushed outside and beat off the man."

"He ran away, and I and two other women chased him, but he outran us."

Delia was returning from a cinema when she was attacked. Her skull was fractured and she is in a critical condition.

"The man who did it wore a greatcoat, and he jumped out of the shadows and hit me before I had time to shout," she told the police in a brief period of consciousness.

The police stated that Miss Bogart had not been criminally assaulted.

SEX MANIAC THEORY

When Miss Sosoyeva met her death last month police warned the women of Hollywood that a sex maniac was at large.

Doctors said she had obviously fought frenziedly for her honour and had then been assaulted.

Anya Sosoyeva, a former member of the Ziegfeld Follies, was believed to be a member of the secret order of "The Purple Cult."

Dreadful penalties are imposed on those who betray the secrets of the cult's weird rites.

QUADRUPLETS GLADDEN IL DUCE'S HEART

Rome. To-day.

Italy acquired a set of quadruplets, and a set of triplets during the Easter holidays.

Four boys were born to a woman in Rovigo and three boys to another in Udine.

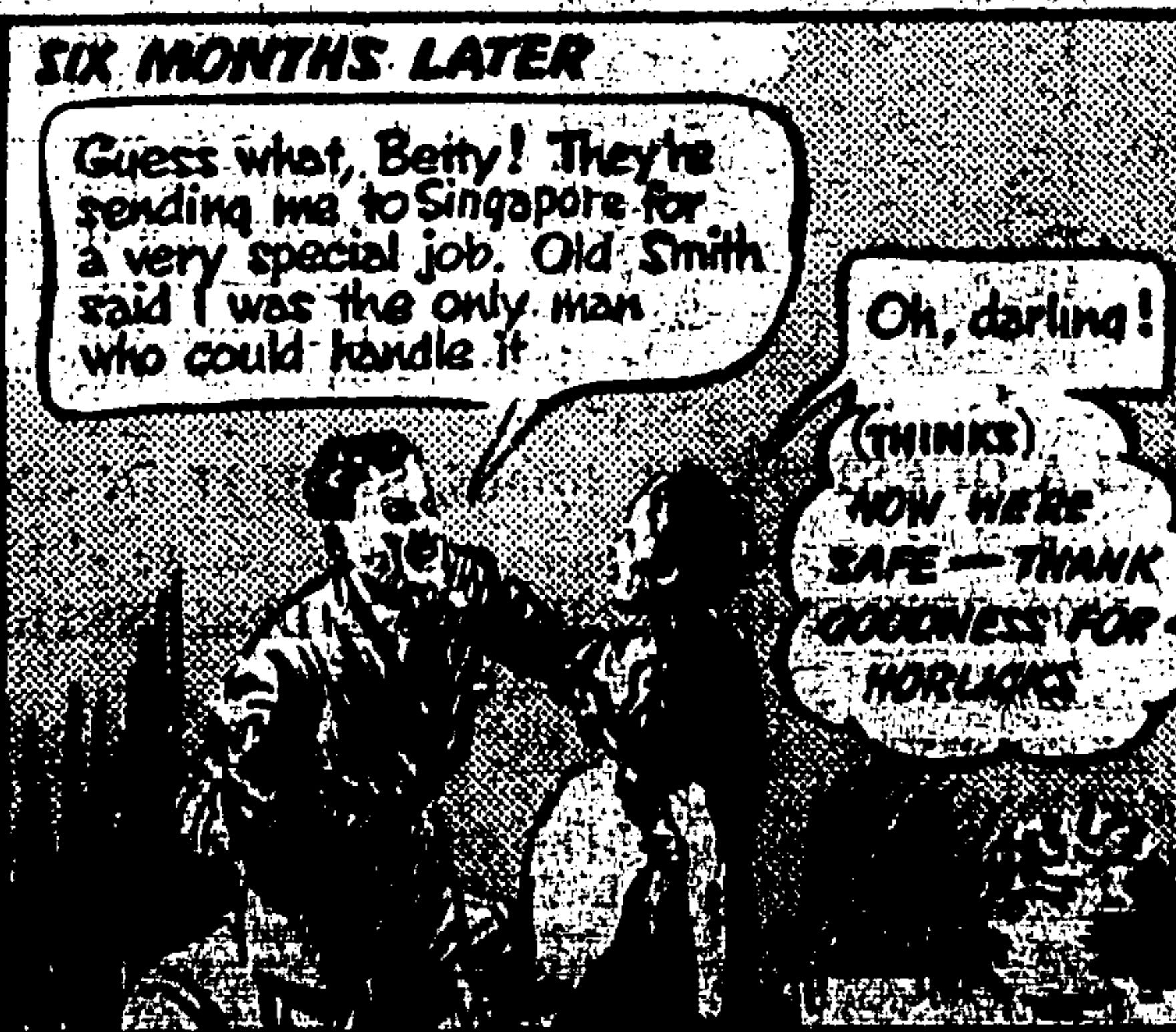
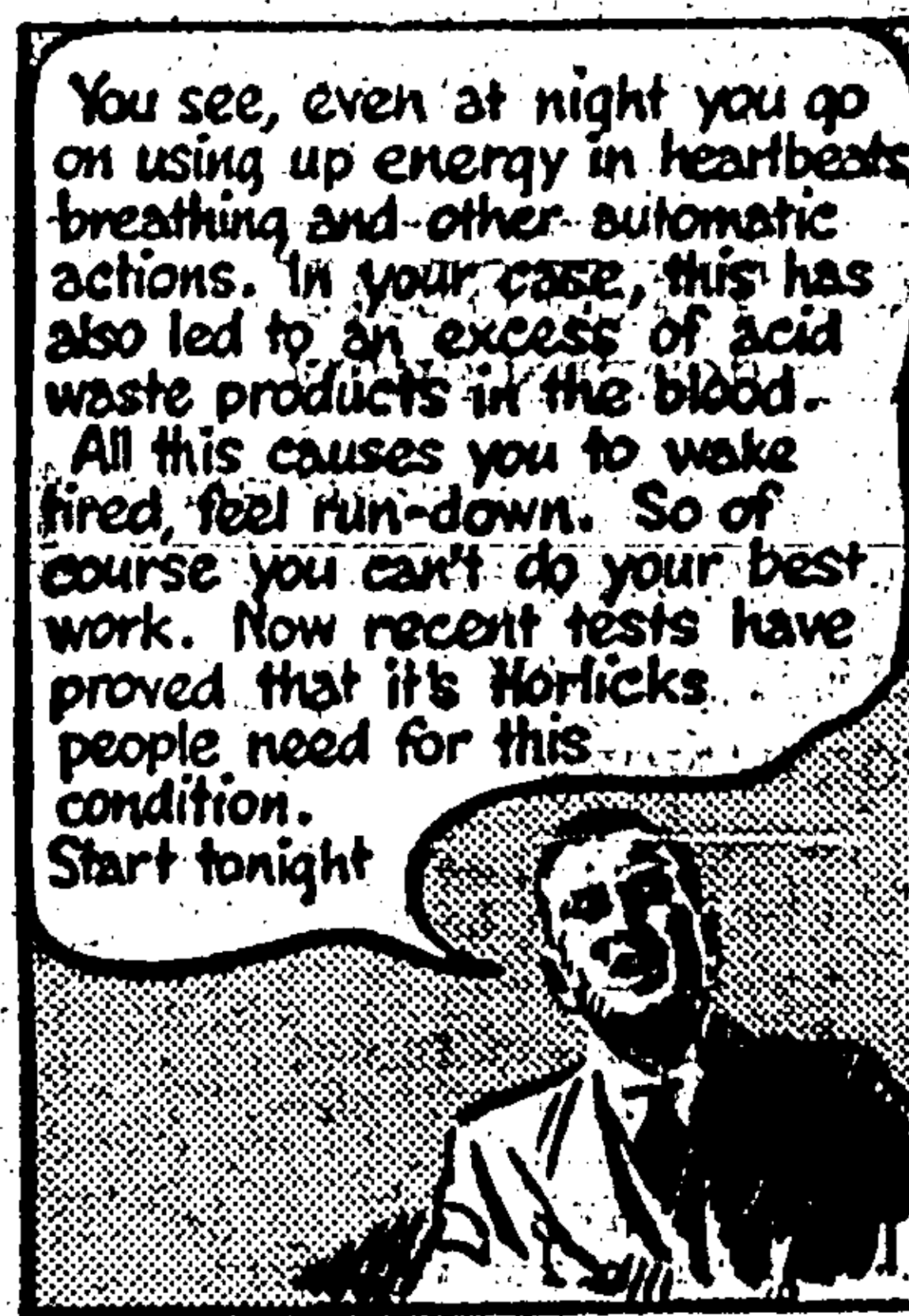
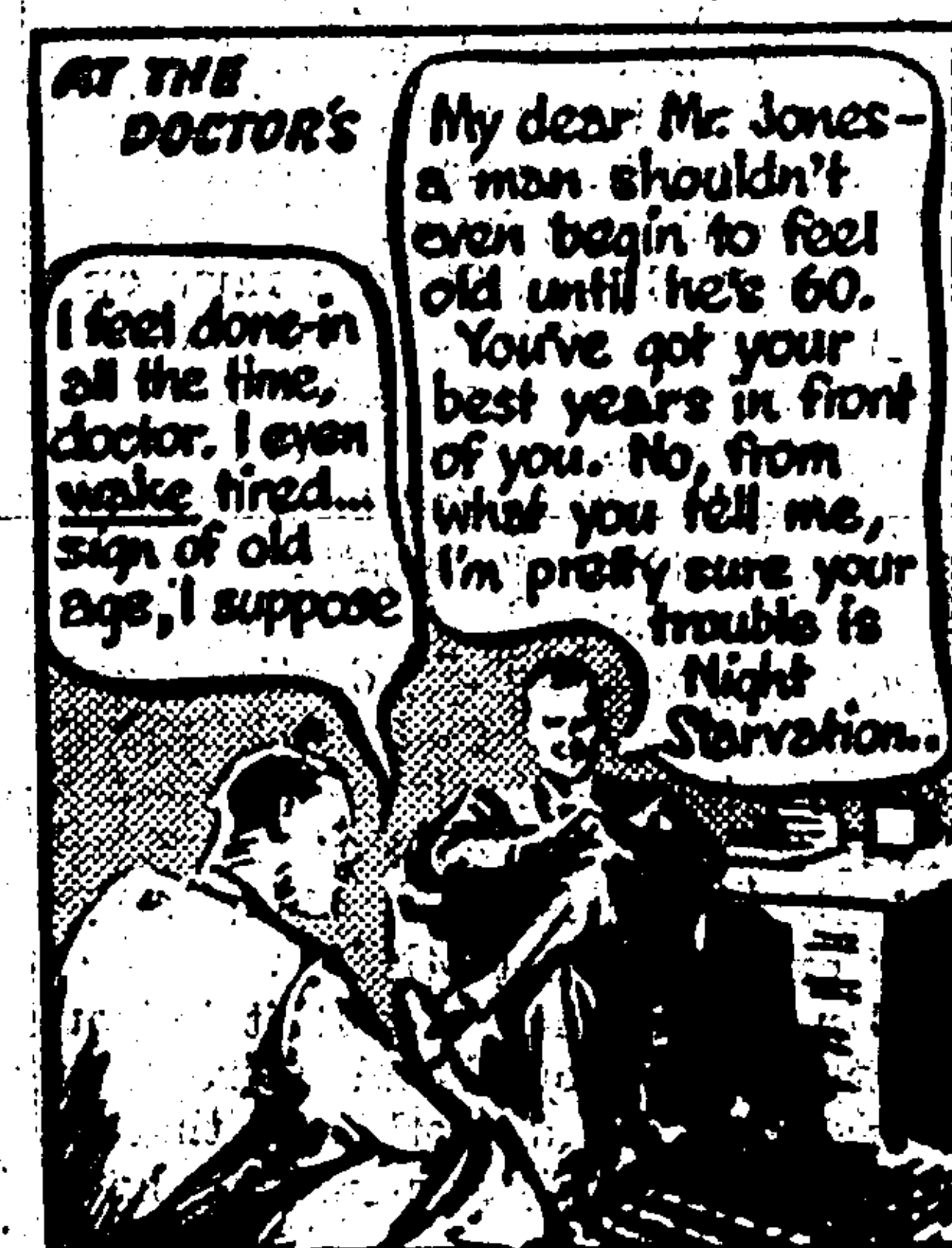
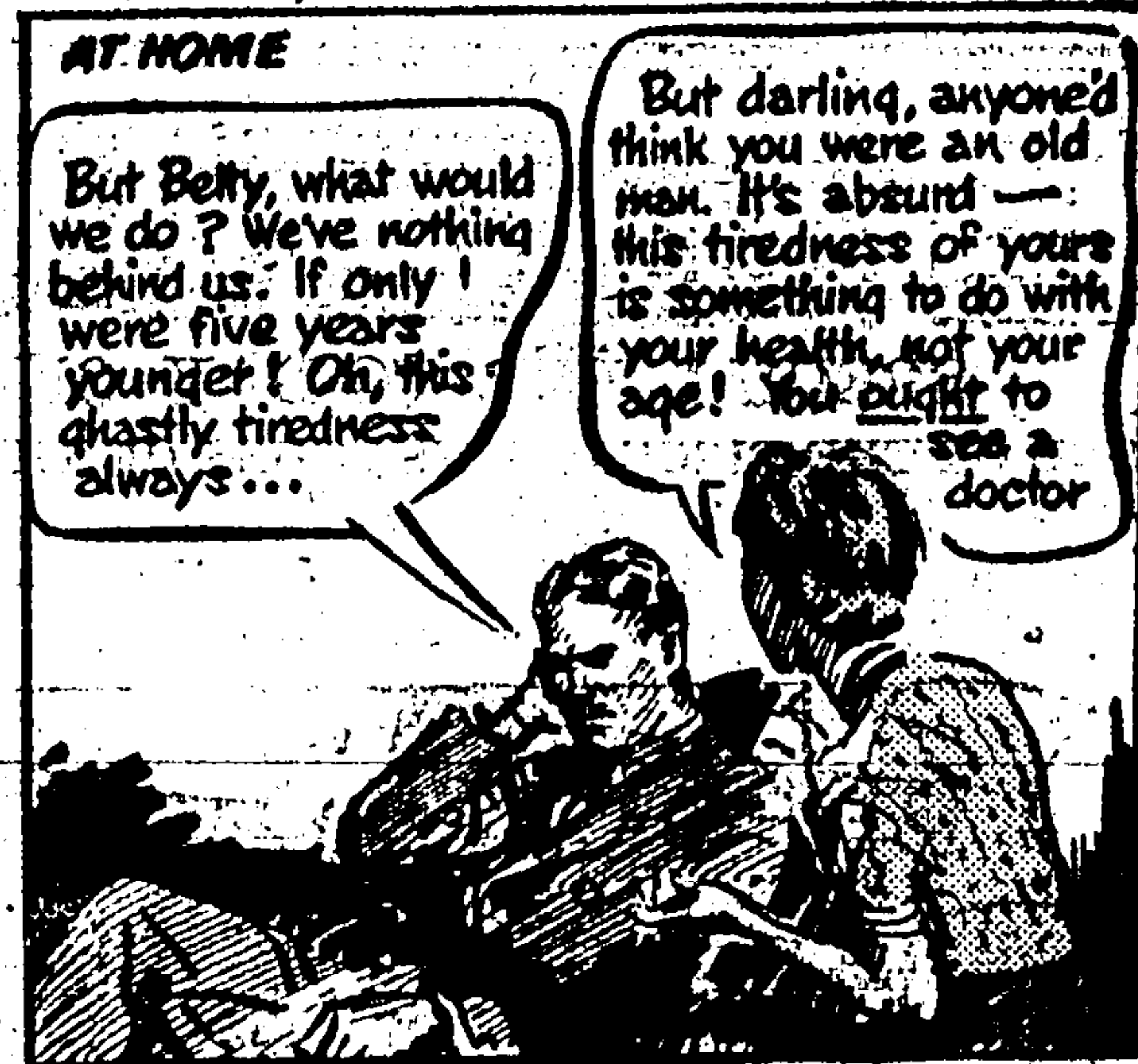
Mussolini has presented a complete set of infant's clothing to the mother of the quadruplets—Trans-Ocean.

***[Il Duce seems to have ignored the mother of triplets. Perhaps her feet was not up to Fascist standards.]



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**ASSAULT CLAIM CASE:
DEFENDANT'S STORY****"SHE RAN INTO MY CLENCHED FIST. SHE SLAPPED HERSELF WITH BOTH HANDS. SHE HERSELF PULLED OUT HER TOOTH, AND TORE HER HAIR."**

This was the explanation given by Karel Weiss, manager of "Rohny's," at the Supreme Court this morning when he was examined in connection with a claim of \$1,000, as damages for assault, by his former employee, Miss Molly Chan, before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell.

Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth appeared for plaintiff and defendant was represented by Mr. D. McCallum.

DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE

Dr. M. Nicholson stated this morning that he examined plaintiff on November 21. She complained of an assault. Witness found bruises on her lips. A tooth was loose and her left ear-drum was ruptured. Her lips were swollen.

Witness said a ruptured ear-drum could be serious. It was necessary to have medical treatment and observation for some time. Witness examined plaintiff's ear-drum about four weeks and found it had healed.

"A pretty hard blow with the open hand" would cause a rupture. The injuries of plaintiff compatible with an assault which might have occurred two or three hours previously.

Cross-examined, witness replied that the injuries of plaintiff were consistent more with the slapping with the open hand than with rushing into defendant's fist.

"DENTIST'S" CHARGE

Ho Sin-min, dentist, testified that when plaintiff came to him her left front-tooth was loose. He extracted the tooth and fitted a false one.

Witness said he charged plaintiff \$150 to extract the tooth and to fit a false one. A gold cap had to be fitted over the adjoining tooth to fix in the false tooth.

Cross-examined, he admitted that he possessed no dentist qualifications except a Canton Certificate of Registration. In reply to Mr. McCallum, he stated that he charged his clients between \$10 and \$20 for extracting a tooth.

Mr. McCallum: "I put it to you that you do not charge more than one dollar for a tooth and that if you had got \$5 you would have been handsomely repaid?"—"That is not so."

DEFENDANT GIVES EVIDENCE

Karel Weiss, defendant, said plaintiff joined his firm in 1936 and left on December 11 last.

"On November 19, plaintiff was extremely nervy. I had given her notice at the beginning of the month, but on November 20, I offered her a job as saleswoman in the import and export business on condition that she behaved much better.

"The offer and conditions were interpreted through one of my friends. I offered higher commission and salary, but she declined the offer. She asked for a lump sum of \$60,000 for pioneer work she had done. I refused and left the office.

"Next day she returned to the office. She was excited and nervy. A friend visited me and plaintiff began banging on the desk with a glass paper-weight. My friend asked her to keep quiet but she refused and used 'nasty words'."

"HIGH TONE"

"I returned to the office after 2 p.m. and plaintiff began talking in

a high tone. I threatened to summon the police if she did not keep quiet. Her temper rose so I took up the phone. She threw the paper-weight on to my table which was about four yards away.

"She then picked up a ruler and rushed towards me. I clenched my fist and put it out to stop her and she ran into my fist. Her mouth started bleeding.

"She then began slapping herself with both hands and tore at her hair."

"I guided her to a chair and brought her a towel to stop the bleeding.

"One or two minutes later she started pulling at one of her teeth which had been loose for over a year."

REPORT TO POLICE

He made a report to the police and three hours later a police sergeant came to the office. Witness gave plaintiff a note to go to hospital at his expense as he was sorry that she had run into her fist.

"On November 22 I wrote her asking her to claim what was I supposed to owe, and she replied in handwriting, which I asked her to type. The following day I told her that I could not recognise her claims, but would give her half of my half-share in a radium apparatus. She agreed to renounce all claims when I decided to sign over my half-share to her entirely. The agreement was signed in duplicate. She stayed on until December 11."

Witness admitted that a certain Frank Lee lent him \$2,000, part of which was still owing. Plaintiff's brother's \$900 loan had been repaid. Witness received no money from plaintiff.

RADIUM APARATUS VALUE

Cross-examined witness said that plaintiff received a salary of \$20 per month. Witness signed over his half-share in the radium apparatus to her because he wanted to recompense her for bringing in to the firm other business-men, excluding Mr. Frank Lee.

Witness admitted that plaintiff was pressing for satisfaction of her claims prior to the alleged assault. He explained that he signed over the half-share in the radium apparatus because it was of no value to him as he had no time to work it.

He admitted that he was offered \$1,500 for the half-share.

The case continues this afternoon.

**JUNK PEOPLE
STABBED**

A Police report states that about 8 a.m. yesterday, when junk No. 739V was lying at the north-eastern corner of Ching Yee Island, five robbers raided the junk.

The three occupants, Leung Lin, 52, master, Lee Kwai, his wife, and his niece, Leung Mui, were all stabbed by the robbers.

Money and jewellery to the value of \$120 was stolen, while the injured were treated at the Kowloon

Hospital.

ITALIAN OCCUPATION BEING COMPLETED BY TROOP-CARRYING PLANES

Rome, To-day.

Italian occupation of the less accessible towns of Albania is being carried out by squads of Grenadiers landed by aeroplane.

The town of Coritsa, on the Yugo-Slav frontier, was occupied in this way, three light Breda planes having landed Grenadiers in a small field near the town.

Reinforcements have also arrived by air at Tirana, and it is reported that Berat, south of Elbassan, was taken yesterday.

The territory now under Italian control includes the oil fields at Devoli, formerly under Italian supervision.

During recent years the Italians had bored 380 wells and production had increased from 13,000 cubic metres in 1935 to 120,000 cubic metres in 1938. Petroleum is pumped to Valona and transported by tanker to Italy.

Eight Italian soldiers who were killed during the Durazzo landing, were buried in Brindisi yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S PROCLAMATION

Rome, To-day.

In a proclamation to the Albanian people issued in Tirana yesterday, the Commander-in-Chief of the Italian forces, General Guzzoni, declared that his troops had arrived in Albania to carry out an action of "peace and co-operation" and that they had already occupied the important centres of the country.

Public order, the sanctity of private possessions, freedom of religious belief, honour and the noble tradition of the Albanian people will be guaranteed, he promised and "Albania will enter upon a new area of labour and justice, prosperity and progress."

Anyone who opposes this programme will be severely punished, he declared, and any who attempts to organise resistance to the Italians will be immediately brought before a court-martial. — Trans-Ocean.

RAILWAY TUNNEL DYNAMITED

Tsaochang, Honan, To-day.

Three Japanese officers and several engineers were killed when Chinese villagers dynamited the railway tunnel at Wushengkwan, strategic pass on the Honan-Hupeh border. The tunnel had just been repaired by the Japanese when the explosion occurred. — Central News.

WOUNDED AIRMAN SAVES COLONEL

Flew To Base And Then Collapsed

Although badly wounded by Arab bullets, Pilot-Sergt. John Coggins of the Royal Air Force succeeded in flying his plane back to the base at Jisr el Majameh and thus saved the life of his passenger, Lt.-Col. J. I. Chrystall.

The incident occurred during an engagement between troops of the Transjordan Frontier Force, which Lt.-Col. Chrystall commands, and a strong band of Arab terrorists.

Lt.-Col. Chrystall was observing the progress of the action from the plane and Sergt. Coggins flew low over the territory to give him a better view.

The Arabs opened fire on the machine which was hit ten times. One bullet struck Sergt. Coggins, but fighting the weakness which arose from loss of blood he retained control of the plane and turned for home.

After landing safely on the aerodrome the pilot collapsed and is now in hospital in a serious condition.

Derby Favourite's First Defeat

London, To-day: — At Kempton Park, the present Derby favourite Foxbrough II, starting favourite at 6/4, was unplaced in the Coventry Three-Year-Old Stakes over one mile.

The result was: — 1, Southport (100/8), 2, The Derby candidate Rogerstone Castle (5/2), 3, Lemanou (25/1).

There were 16 starters. Southport won by two lengths; short-head between second and third. This was Foxbrough's first defeat. — Reuter.

RECORD SOUTH AFRICAN GOLF

Durban, To-day.

A. D. Locke won the South African Open Golf Championship yesterday with a record aggregate of 275 for 72 holes.

Locke finished with a record round of 67. His rounds were 68, 69, 74 and 67. — Reuter.

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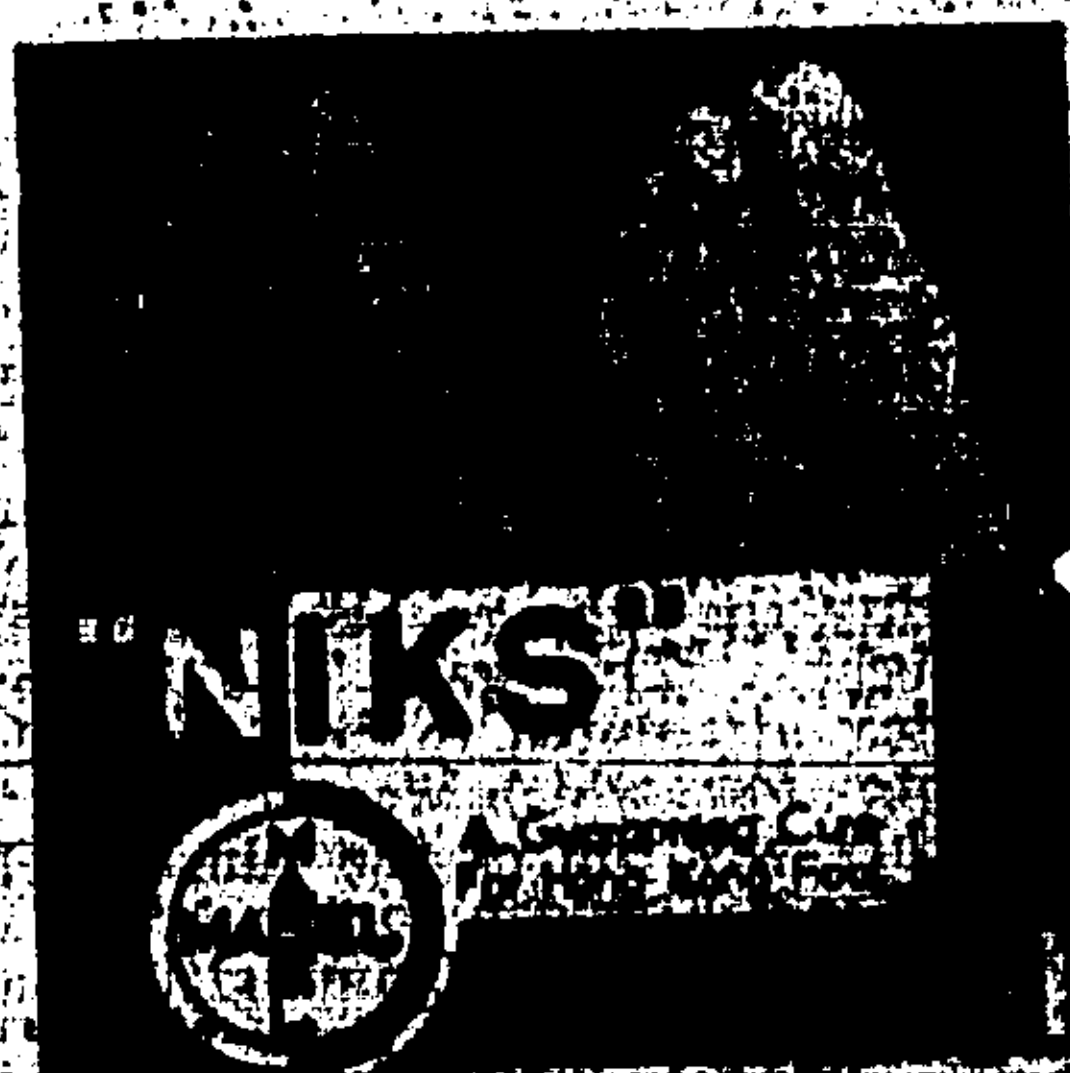
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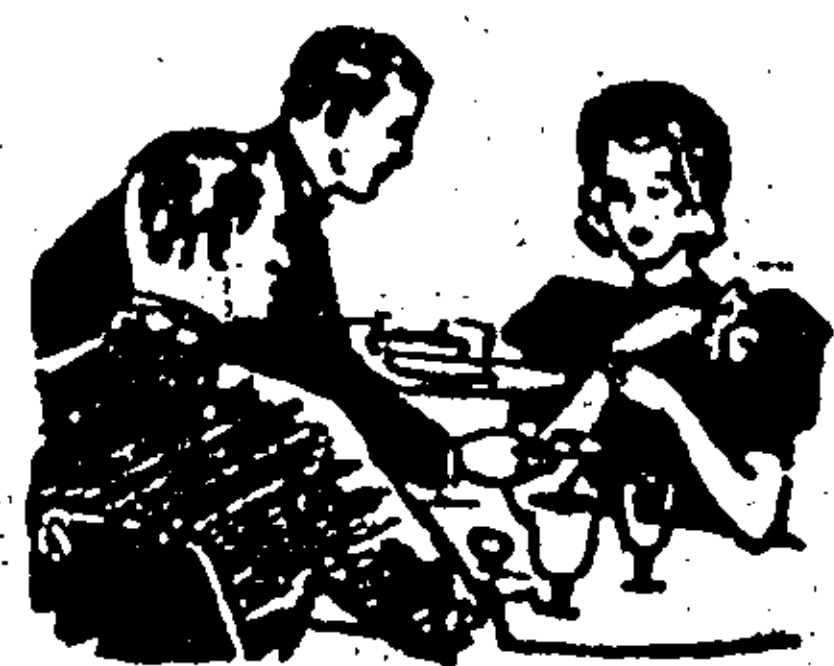
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BIG RESERVES OF WAR MATERIALS FOR THE DEMOCRACIES: U.S. PLAN

Washington, To-day.

A gigantic plan for an international exchange of raw materials, having the double effect of building up the strength of the Democracies for war and ridding the United States of some of the troublesome surpluses of farm products, has been projected by Senator James F. Byrnes (Democrat, South Carolina).

Senator Byrnes proposes that the United States trade cotton and wheat to Britain, the Netherlands and Belgium, and possibly other countries, in return for rubber and tin.

The plan is backed by members of the Administration and powerful groups in the Senate, and is endorsed by the State Agricultural Departments.

Senator Byrnes declared yesterday that the State Department would formally propose a huge deal to foreign governments within a few days.

He added that the War and Navy Departments desired a minimum reserve of at least 226,000 tons of rubber, and for adequate protection, 1,250,000,000 lbs. of rubber would be necessary.

A reserve of tin worth \$65,000,000 had been recommended.

MATERIALS TO BE STORED

Under the plan, materials would be stored and countries obtaining them would be pledged not to dispose of them within five years unless prices exceeded specified figures.

Senator Byrnes estimated that at least two million out of 11,000,000 bales of cotton held by the Government as security for loans to farmers could be disposed of under the scheme. — Reuter.

Third Class D. W. Medal

D.W.3 Tong Kwai for long and faithful service.
D.W.70 Tang Wu for long and faithful service.
Detective D.W.61 Wong Shun Tseung for long and faithful service.
D.W.22 Lok Po for long and faithful service.

H.E.'s Commendations

"A" CONTINGENT

Lance Sergeant A.21 H. R. Terrett "for courage and devotion to duty on 2.12.38, when he attempted to close with a Chinese male armed with a pistol, and sustained a gunshot wound in consequence."

Lance Sergeant A.216 A. E. G. Wheeler, Lance Sergeant A.30 C. S. Pile, Lance Sergeant A.72 G. Davies, Lance Sergeant A.145 H. Goldie, Lance Sergeant A.116 A. A. Shaw, Lance Sergeant A.104 V. M. Morrison, Lance Sergeant A.107 F. L. Willison, Police Sergeant B.441 Gulam Mohamed, Lance Sergeant B.332 Basant Singh, Lance Sergeant B.2 Sorain Singh, Constable B.858 Nabi Bux, Constable B.783 Chaun Singh, Constable B.460 Hardial Singh, Constable B.261 Bahadur Singh, Sub-Inspector Hui Hung Cheung, Sub-Inspector Ho Sau Yick, Constable C.66 Wong YAU, Constable C.302 Kong Hing, all for zeal and devotion to duty during the Sino-Japanese incident on the Frontier on 26th November, 1938.

Lance Sergeant C.518 Chu Wo, Constable C.108 Tang Ka, Constable C.207 Chan Chi, all for courage and devotion to duty on 20.10.38. These officers at great personal risk, conducted a careful and successful search for a dangerous gang of armed robbers knowing that the robbers might shoot on sight. This gang had earlier in the day attempted to hold up and rob a motor van which was conveying the monthly pay-roll of the L.S. Ma Hang Mine from Kowloon to the mine. At November, 1938. Criminal Sessions three members of the gang were found guilty of Attempted Murder and sentenced to 10 years H.L. each.

H.K. POLICE INSPECTION AND AWARDS

The annual inspection of the H. K. Police by His Excellency the Governor (Sir Geoffrey Northcote) takes place this afternoon.

His Excellency will be greeted by a Guard of Honour under A. S. P. Bidneed and A. S. P. Searle.

A square will be formed by contingents under A.S.P.s Calthrop, Wilson and Booker.

The Acting Commissioner, Mr. C. G. Perdue, will be in charge of the parade, assisted by A.D.C.P. W.R. Scott.

The principal award is that of the H. K. Police Silver Medal to Lance Sergeant A. 209 F. Roberts, for zealous efficiency and fine courage in rescuing a Chinese woman from a burning cargo junk laden with gasoline near the A.P.C. Wharf on June 15 last year.

Other medals will be presented as follows:

COLONIAL POLICE LONG SERVICE MEDAL

Inspector—A. V. Baker.
Inspector—A. L. Hopkins.
Inspector—S. Shepherd.
Inspector—E. G. Post.
Inspector—S. C. Saunders.
Sub-Inspector—H. G. Hallam.

"B" CONTINGENT

First Bar To The Colonial Police Long Service Medal
Lance Sergeant B.112 Zaman Ali.
Colonial Police Long Service Medal

Sergeant Major Banta Singh.
Sergeant B.17 Nathay Khan.
Sergeant B.307 Kapoor Singh.
Sergeant B.441 Gulam Mohamed.
Lance Sergeant B.370 Khushi Mohamed.

Constable B.438 Atta Mohamed.

"C" CONTINGENT

First Bar To The Colonial Police Long Service Medal
Sergeant C.125 Lam Kwan.
Colonial Police Long Service Medal
Sergeant C.558 Ghan Pul.
Sergeant C.203 Tsai Yip.
Lance Sergeant C.523 Pang Chi.
Lance Sergeant C.152 Kwok Kam.
Lance Sergeant C.88 Chau Pul.
Lance Sergeant C.518 Chu Wo.
Lance Sergeant C.563 Wong Kam Ling.

Constable C.523 Chan On.
Constable C.76 Tang Yu.
Constable C.541 Chan Kiu.

DISTRICT WATCH FORCE MEDALS

First Class D. W. Medal
Head District Watchman Tui Hin for long and faithful service.

Second Class D. W. Medal
Detective D.W.115 Chan Kwang for excellent work during his period of service which commenced on the 20th September, 1931.

Detective D.W.18 Chan Yat for long and faithful service.

(Continued on next column)

Issue Of British Guarantee To Greece Not Yet Settled

POSITION MAY BE CLARIFIED IN NEXT TWO DAYS

London, To-day.

Reports current in London last night of a British guarantee to Greece are not strictly in accordance with the facts, states Reuter's lobby correspondent.

The position after yesterday's Cabinet meeting appears to be that Ministers had under consideration steps necessary to ensure that following Italy's occupation of Albania, the position of Greece, including Corfu, is in no way jeopardised.

Ministers are known to take the view that the present position in the Eastern Mediterranean must not be upset, and it is believed Italy has already been acquainted with this fact.

In all these matters the closest collaboration is being maintained with France.

Meanwhile, the fact that the British Cabinet does not plan to meet again for another two days, indicates that many communications have still to pass before the situation is finally clarified for presentation to the Lords and Commons on Thursday. — Reuter.

F. O. VISITS

The Greek and Rumanian Ministers called at the Foreign Office during the meeting of the Cabinet in the morning.

The Rumanian Minister returned in the afternoon, when the Italian charge d'affaires also called.

The conversation between Mr. C. R. Attlee, Leader of the Labour Opposition, and Mr. Chamberlain at No. 10, Downing Street, in the afternoon, lasted 45 minutes. — Reuter.

"STRONG BRITISH STEPS URGED"

Lord Halifax and Mr. Hore-Belisha are said to have demanded "strong British steps" together with a demonstration by the British fleet in the Mediterranean, but Mr. Chamberlain has not yet agreed.

The question of a protest to Italy and a British guarantee to Greece are not finally decided.

The guarantee to Greece, however, is expected to be announced by Mr. Chamberlain in his declaration in the House of Commons on Thursday.

The Parliamentary opposition may demand denunciation of the Anglo-Italian treaty, which the Government wishes to avoid. While it is maintained that the Italian occupation of Albania constitutes a breach of this treaty on the part of Italy, the British Government wishes to maintain it in order not to give Mussolini grounds for maintaining his troops in Spain. — Trans-Ocean.

Baby Giant Panda Earns £500

Paying For Herself

Although Ming, the London Zoo's baby giant panda, cost £300 to buy, she is rapidly paying for herself. Already this year the attendance at the Zoo shows an increase of more than 7,500 visitors compared with the corresponding period for last year. This represents a profit of nearly £500 to be credited to Ming against the price paid for her.

There is no doubt that she is responsible for this increase, for nearly every visitor who passes through the gates inquires where she is to be seen.

From the moment she goes on view at noon until she retires at 4 p.m. she is surrounded by a large crowd. When she is taken from her exhibition den her admirers follow to watch her drive away to the quarantine station.

Sales of picture postcards of Ming have yielded £96 to date.

Ming has also achieved the distinction of setting up a new fashion in toys and mascots. Toy woolly replicas of the popular Zoo pet are now to be seen in almost every shop.

NEW EINSTEIN THEORY

Solving Problem Of Gravitation

A new theory which he believes may solve the riddle of gravitation is announced in a birthday interview by Prof. Albert Einstein.

Einstein declined to divulge details of what he thinks may prove the clue to the long-sought single law explaining the structure of the entire universe and all the mysteries of matter and radiation. "The layman," he said, "can at least realise one thing — that the

PARLIAMENT TO MEET ON THURSDAY

London, To-day. Both Houses of Parliament have been summoned to meet on Thursday this week "in the public interest."

The session is not expected to last more than one day. — Reuter.

SPAIN A BAD DEFEAT

Moscow, To-day.

Stating that the two great Democracies, France and Britain, through their treason to Spain, have suffered a bad defeat "Pravda" (so far the only Moscow paper to do so) comments on the adherence of Spain to the anti-Comintern Pact.

The paper states that France and Britain can now no longer count on Spanish neutrality in the event of war, and that their hopes of gaining influence in Spain by recognising the Franco regime were, from the beginning, doomed to disappointment. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN CHARGE AGAINST POLAND

Danzig, To-day.

During the Easter holidays, almost 100 German refugees arrived here from the neighbouring Polish districts.

With the exception of two Reich Germans, all are Polish subjects, including many women and children, who "fled across the border to escape persecution."

The National Socialist Peoples' Welfare Organisation is looking after them. "The women state that their houses were partly demolished and their husbands arrested by the Poles without any reason." — Trans-Ocean.

H.M.S. MALAYA UNDER ORDERS

Paris, To-day.

It is stated here that the British battleship, H. M. S. Malaya, which had been anchored off Mentone on the French Riviera, has left for an unknown destination. — Trans-Ocean.

pursuit of such a goal requires almost unlimited patience. Since the formulation of the general theory of relativity there has existed the problem of bringing under one unifying mathematical concept the gravitational field, the electromagnetic field and material particles.

"Mathematical constructions for the unified field theory devised by me heretofore have not stood the test of experience. A year ago I discovered a new solution, and I am now engaged with two collaborators developing the results to a point where they could be checked by experimental facts."

ITALIAN DIPLOMAT ACCUSED OF WIFE'S MURDER

Bangkok, To-day.

The arrest of Dr. Ettore Grande, First Secretary to the Italian Legation in Bangkok, on the charge of having murdered his wife, has created a sensation here.

The arrested diplomat is the son of the well-known Italian University Professor Stefano Grande at Turin.

When on leave last year he married Signorina Vincenza Virasso, daughter of a wealthy Turin family.

Shortly after the wedding, the young wife lost her life during a hunting trip, the Siamese authorities officially describing it as an accident.

The bride's family was, however, suspicious and caused a post mortem examination to be made, when the body arrived at Turin. The police doctor suggested crime, whereupon Dr. Grande was arrested in Rome. Although he pleads not guilty and states that his dearly beloved wife died as result of an accident, the authorities refuse to release him. — Trans-Ocean.

TIME FOR TALK IS PAST

PARIS, TO-DAY.

"FRANCE WILL NOW TAKE STEPS TO BE READY FOR ALL EMERGENCIES. THE TIME TO TALK AND MAKE SOLEMN DECLARATIONS IS PAST."

This is the almost unanimous attitude of the Paris papers.

Le "Temps" states that agreement on the "precautionary measures" has been reached between London and Paris, although the paper does not state exactly what these measures will be.

It is hinted that, on Sunday, the National Defence Council decided on new measures which will be submitted and supplemented by the Cabinet Council to-day.

The Ministerial Council will meet on Wednesday to ratify the measures and they will then be decreed by the President, M. Lebrun. — Trans-Ocean.

MR. BRUCE FOR PREMIER

Canberra, To-day.

A large section of the United Australian Party favoured the Australian High Commissioner in London, Mr. S. M. Bruce, as next Prime Minister.

The idea has been mooted that Mr. Bruce return to Australia and stand for Parliament, with the ultimate object of becoming Premier.

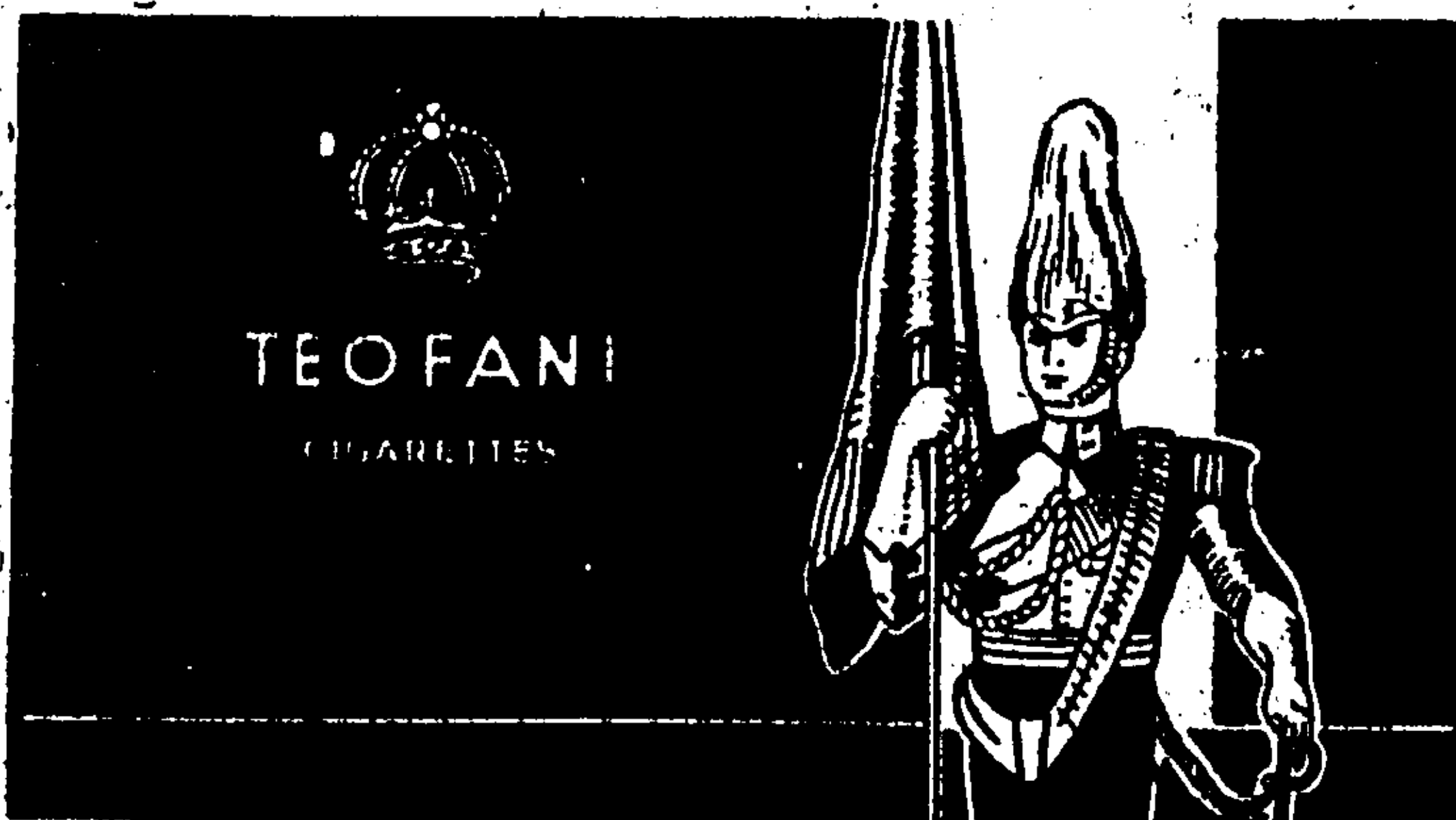
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

CAUSE FOR MURDER

Andrew Randall's death was, objectively good afternoon. But that afternoon, suicide. Captain Van Ness of noon a ship caught fire at sea and I the homicide squad went down to investigate, though he admitted the investigation was merely in the line of routine duty. I went with him, though I had a feeling it was waste of time. "You can't make a murder out of this one," I grumbled. "Come on home. We're wasting each other's time."

Van grinned maliciously. We had driven out in a police car and the only way I could get back was in the same car, and he knew it.

"Keep your shirt on, scribe. Let's look around the joint. I've always wanted to see what a millionaire's home looked like."

"You're still wasting time. Randall was just \$999,999 short of being a millionaire."

This was true. Once a prominent member of the upper brackets of society and finance, Andrew Randall's fortune had dwindled steadily for the past dozen years. A dozen years ago he had retired from active business. This was a mistake, because he was too young to retire. And so, to satisfy the energy that no longer had an outlet, he amused himself by engaging in wild cat schemes. He worked on the theory that if a man were smart enough he could outscheme the schemers, and there would be a lot of satisfaction in doing it.

But he figured wrong. The main trouble was that Andrew Randall had

He looked brighter and satisfied.

"About the Randall murder," he said. "We've got the killer!"

I stared blankly. Then suddenly I remembered. "That wasn't a murder. It was a suicide. What do you mean you've got the killer?"

"Barry Roister from Michigan. Remember? The nephew by marriage. He did it."

"Now look, Van," I said. "Stop talking in bunches. Why would Barry Roister want to kill penniless old Andy Randall?"

"Because of the paintings. You remember those three paintings we saw in the drawing-room?"

"I remember that they weren't anything to kill an old man over."

"Hal," said Van. "You newspaper men! Never get behind the news. Too superficial. I suppose you never heard of Caleb Trask?"

"No. I never heard of Caleb Trask."

"Well, he's an artist. Pretty good too. He painted those oils. They sold for about fifty dollars each. Then trouble was that Andrew Randall had

By James Freeman

been smart in an honest way. He couldn't cope with smart men who were dishonest, and little by little the schemers began transferring the Randall fortune to their own pockets. And pretty soon it was all gone. Even the house was mortgaged.

So the schemers lost interest in Andrew Randall, and Andrew lost interest in life, and now he was dead—poisoned. "Who's going to inherit this bunch of debts?" I asked Van, as we moved from one silent room to the next.

"As far as I can figure there's only one living relative. A youngster named Barry Roister. A nephew by marriage. He lives in Michigan."

"Ah!" I cried brightly. "A murder prospect! Now what could the motive be?"

Van grinned again. He didn't mind my kidding. Half the time he turned things inside out, fixing it to make me look like a lug who talked too much. This time I had him, and I laid it on thick.

The drawing-room of the old house contained three fairly good oil paintings. There was some silver and a few antique pieces and a car in the garage. Otherwise, young Mr. Barry Roister of Michigan was going to find it hardly worth his while to make the trip to New York to collect his inheritance.

Outside, Van sighed deeply. "What a pity! There was a chance for a swell murder case and it turns out to be nothing but an ordinary suicide."

"Why don't you suppress your predatory instincts and turn into a human being for a change?" I asked him. "Lord, it's getting so a man can't honestly kill himself these days without some inquisitive sopper trying to dramatize it into a love-story or something."

So we left the old Randall place, Van looking sad and chafed under the thought that the old man would probably give me a call-down for idling away a per-

when a fairly good artist dies? The price of his paintings hits the sky. Caleb Trask lived in Michigan, and Roister, being an art connoisseur and knowing his distant uncle owned the paintings, began to think.

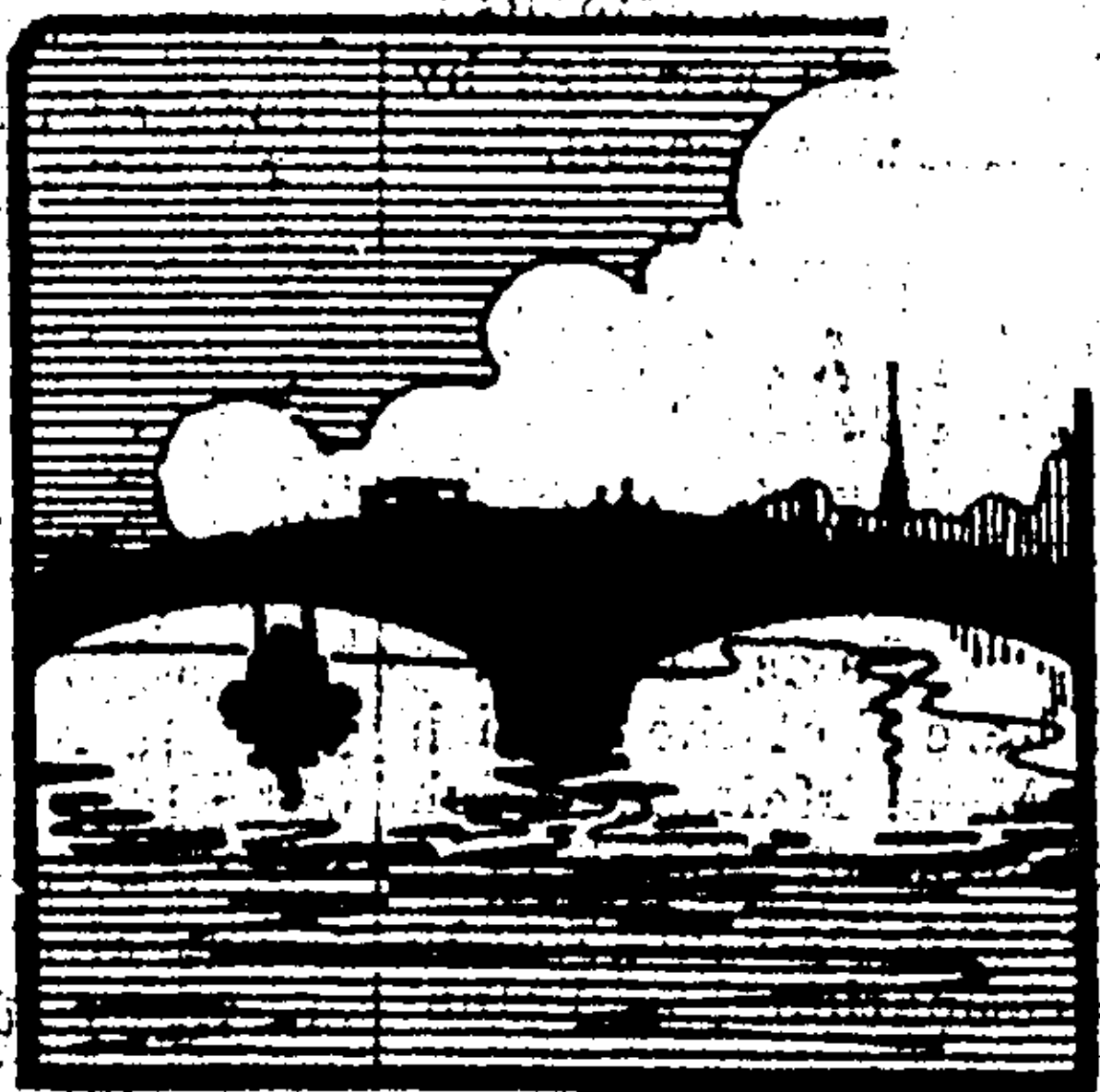
"Ah!" is right. To Roister it looked like a set-up. Uncle Andy had every reason to commit suicide and who would ever suspect a distant nephew living in Michigan who would only inherit a bunch of debts?

"So Roister made a quick and murderous trip to Uncle Andy's and then returned to Michigan. And when he was advised he had inherited a lot of debts he came back and gave his uncle a decent burial and took the paintings and left everything else for the debts. And a week and a half later I read in the papers where the Trask oils had sold for \$50,000 each." Van sighed and grinned.

"What a pity you newspaper men don't try to get behind the news."

"What a pity," I snapped, "that you had to read in the newspapers about the paintings being sold."

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China Takes Up Offensive On All Principal Fronts

SHARP FIGHTING IN OUTSKIRTS OF SUNWUI

Chungking, To-day.

The much-heralded Chinese general offensive on all fronts from Inner Mongolia to Kwangtung has either started or is on the eve of being launched, stated authoritative quarters here yesterday. The initiative in the 21 months' fighting which has already taken place, hitherto has been in the hands of the Japanese.

The Japanese have advanced further westwards on the West River and have occupied Shuihing, according to Chinese official messages received last night. It is stated that Shuihing was abandoned by the Chinese on Saturday and retaken on Sunday.

SUNWUI FIGHTING

Yesterday the Japanese launched fierce attacks on the city and re-occupied the town. The Chinese forces have withdrawn to new positions north and west of the city.

Sharp fighting continues on the outskirts of Sunwui, state official Chinese messages from Shek-ki last night.

The Japanese forces are apparently awaiting further reinforcements before resuming military activity. —Reuter and Our Own Correspondent.

LINE WRECKED

Shanghai, To-day.

Chinese guerillas have wrecked part of the newly repaired Shanghai-Nanking Line. —Our Own Correspondent.

KAIFENG CONCENTRATION

Shanghai, To-day.

Over 200,000 Chinese troops are assembled a few miles from Kaifeng on the Lunghai Line preparing for a large-scale counter-attack.

At present the atmosphere is calm and quiet, no serious skirmishes having occurred for the past week.

The Japanese are hastily repairing all railway lines connecting the Lunghai Line to facilitate transport of supplies. —Our Own Correspondent.

COUNTER-OFFENSIVE IN KIANGSU

Ningkuo, To-day.

A Chinese counter-offensive in Kiangsu is in progress. Ten Chinese columns are attacking various strategic points, including Sunkiao and Shangpeifow, south of Changchow.

Ihing, on the west bank of Taihu Lake, was has been recaptured. —Central News.

PRESSURE ON NANCHANG

Kweilin, To-day.

Reports from Kiangsi state that the Chinese are exerting increasing pressure on the Japanese occupying Nanchang.

Strong Chinese units have passed through Kaoan, and are steadily advancing on Nanchang. Other units are forcing their way to Fenghsin. —Central News.

SHANSI CAMPAIGN

Yuanku, To-day.

Chinese forces have retaken Wangtaochen. The Japanese are said to have suffered some 2,000 casualties in their abortive drive towards the Chungtiao Mountain areas in south Shansi. The main body has now withdrawn to Yungtsi, terminus of the Tatung-Puchow Railway, for re-organisation.

Heavy casualties have also been suffered by the Japanese who attempted to push eastward from Kianghsien. —Central News.

IN CENTRAL HUPEH

Ichang, To-day.

Violent fighting has been going on along the Chungsiang-Kiangshan highway and the Ichang-Hankow highway, and other points. Yuhsinoh has been retaken by the Chinese. At Pingpa, Leikungtien, the Japanese suffered some 300 casualties, and have retreated to the hills south of Pingpa.

The Chinese have cut Japanese communications on the Yingshan-Sinyang highway. —Central News.

CLOSING ON YOYANG

Chengteh, To-day.

Guerillas are closing in on Yoyang on the Canton-Hankow Railway.

Chenglinki and Pelloki, five miles north, are both under the menace of the guerillas.

The Japanese at Maputashan, ten miles south of Yoyang, have retreated northward. —Central News.

Mr. D. T. Willis, of Alexander Ross, Chater Road, has reported that his car, No. 1221, was stolen yesterday, when parked in Gascolgne Road.

Mr. Mackay, of Causeway Hill, was treated privately, after he had been bitten by his own dog yesterday. The dog was removed to the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

Before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, Lai Sing, 38, was charged with stealing a radiator cap from car No. 1133, in Chater Road, the property of Mr. W. Sander. A fine of \$40 or six weeks was imposed.

AMERICAN AIR BASE BILL APPROVED

Washington, To-day.

The Senate naval committee yesterday approved the \$65,000,000 Naval Air Base Bill after rejecting the Administration's proposal for an improvement scheme at Guam.

It is recalled that the House of Representatives have already rejected the Guam scheme. —Reuter.

THEFT FROM AN AMERICAN SAILOR

A 21-year-old tailor was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, with larceny of four dollars from an American sailor, Giuseppe Pantalone, of the U.S.S. Marblehead, at Luard Road near Hennessy Road, yesterday.

Defendant denied the charge and said that a small boy stole the money.

Inspector A. V. Baker told the Court that the sailor was drunk.

SMALL PARTY OF JAPANESE LAND IN THE CHEKWAN AREA

A party of approximately 100 Japanese bluejackets landed in Chekwon Bay, near Namtau, from ships anchored in the bay, in the course of this morning, and proceeded inland.

The purpose of the raid is not yet known, but Customs officials on the border express the belief that the landing was carried out for foraging purposes and expect them to leave before nightfall.

No violence and no panic has accompanied the incident.

Chekwon Bay is the first bay, beyond British waters in the Deep Bay area. The border is quiet.

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Defendant was fined \$20, or six weeks' hard labour.

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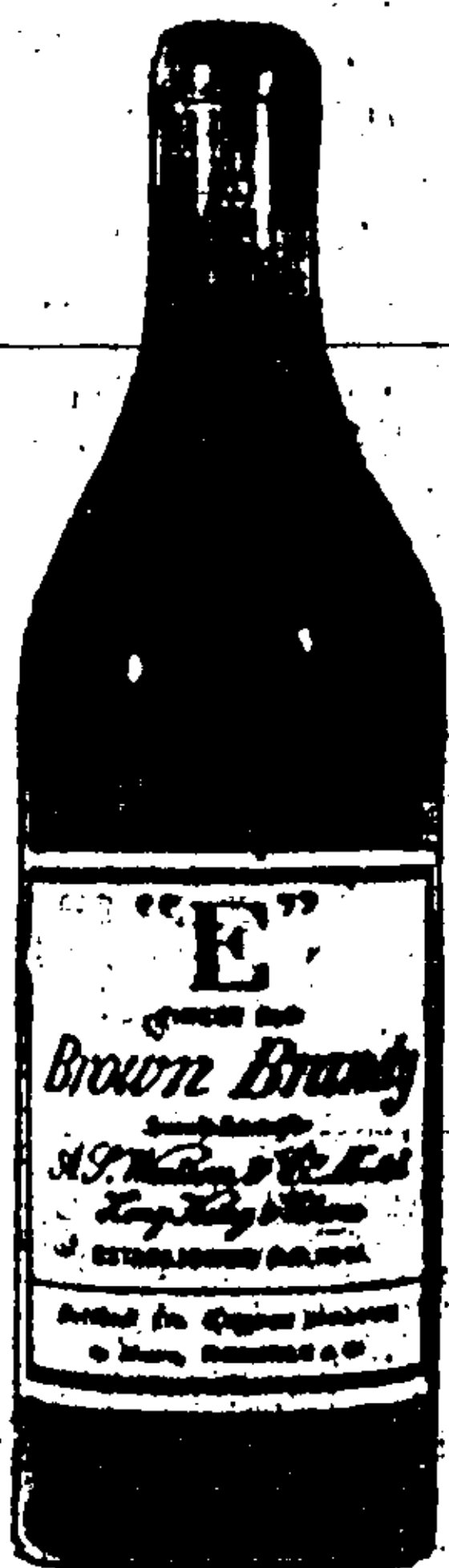
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ARE WE AGAIN TO BE FOOLED?

Is Britain to be lulled once again into a sense of false security? The most astonishing semi-official statement on Mussolini's Good Friday breakfast dish, the brutal devouring of Albania, is that assurances have been given by Signor Crolla, in London, to Lord Halifax, and "that anxieties over the situation are now somewhat less than they were."

"The gullibility of these Englishmen," both Mussolini and Hitler must be saying, "is as that of a little child." Either that or, much more alarming, the men in control of the British Government are wilfully shutting their eyes to the realities.

The Albanian coup is still far too close for full comprehension. It would be the sheerest folly, criminal folly, however, to view it as a isolated operation. Its bearing upon the strategic situation in the Mediterranean and the Balkans, the closing-in of the Axis pincers about Yugoslavia, are in themselves intrinsic evidence of ulterior motive which envisages plans going far beyond the conquest of an unimportant country which can bestow no economic benefits upon its liberators.

The question now asked is not concerned with the future destiny of Albania. That unlucky State may be written off as a dead loss. The question is, where will Italy and Germany turn next? And, vain as that speculation may be, it is at least an incentive to prepare with every energy for all contingencies. It is more profitable than listening to assurances.

Signor Mussolini gave assurances about Libya. There are more troops in Libya to-day than when the Anglo-Italian Agreement was ratified. Signor Mussolini gave assurances about Spain. His troops are in Spain. His warships and planes are in Minor-

ca. Enquiries have been made in Rome in reference to reports that, far from withdrawal of legionaries, their numbers have been swollen. Mussolini gave assurances embodied in writing in the Pact that nothing would be done by Italy to change the status quo in the Mediterranean. The annexation of Albania, which remains the fact no matter how euphemistic may be the term diplomatically applied to the consequence of the application of the mailed fist, is direct breach of Treaty.

Yet, three times Signor Crolla is called to the Foreign Office. And three times Signor Crolla gives assurances. And the result "can apparently be interpreted (says a statement carrying all the hallmarks of full official sanction) as indicating an easing of the tension."

This is crude optimism: the crude optimism so lavishly distributed by the Government in the last few months. It provokes grim thought when it is persisted in; when not even Czecho-Slovakia, Memel and Albania in three weeks can shake a suave but disastrous imperviousness to cold fact.

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When Is A Bluff?

A French envoy in the Balkans once laid down three rules of diplomacy. The first, he said, was to define your terms. But his legation secretary inquired about the remaining two. The diplomatist shook his head. "When your terms are accurately defined," he replied, "you need no other rules!"

Despite its simplicity of overstatement the rule is a good one. It applies to phrases that become current without much concern over their meaning. It applies to words like "bluff" and "firmness" which are often confused in assessments of the present international situation.

Threats, "designed to operate without action," have clearly been the successful tool of the totalitarians. They are not to be counteracted in kind. But policies "not liable to cancellation after acceptance" can, and do, provide the firmness that is the answer to bluff. The problem is to recognise each for what it is. For the difference is essentially a moral one—the quiet sanction of meaning what one says.

There are examples of how firmness operates. The Nyon agreement, which halted piracy in the Mediterranean by agreement to sink any mysterious submarines, has become somewhat historic. The recent orders to the British navy to protect British shipping against an unrecognised blockade in Spanish waters had something of a similar effect.

The vigorous action of Hungary and Rumania to prevent the kind of National Socialist agitation which led to the downfall of Austria and the Sudetenland springs from foresight and determination rather than bluster and pretence. The instances could be extended. But the essential fact remains clear. Motives as well as methods are essential to the definition of policy. Britain would not suffer if her statesmen bore this more often in mind.

BRITISH PROTEST TO IL DUCE EXPECTED

ROOSEVELT CONFERS IN WASHINGTON

Washington, To-day.
President Roosevelt, upon his arrival in Washington from Warm Springs, yesterday, conferred on board the train with Mr. Cordell Hull (Secretary of State) and Mr. Henry Morgenthau (Secretary of Treasury).
They discussed the European situation.—Reuter.

ALL BRITISH WARSHIPS IN ITALIAN PORTS WITHDRAWN

London, To-day.
All units of the Mediterranean Fleet visiting Italian ports have left.

They include the battleship H.M.S. Warspite, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, which has sailed from San Remo.

H.M.S. Malaya has also left for an unknown destination.

No official information is given regarding their destination, but it is explained that owing to the obscure situation in Albania, withdrawal of the ships, which were on a courtesy visit, "would avoid embarrassment to all concerned." — Reuter.

GREECE SURE OF FUTURE INTEGRITY

Athens, To-day.

The Greek Premier, General Metaxas, has issued a message to the people stating that the Government possesses all means of assuring the absolute independence and integrity of the country.

The message advises the people to go quietly about their business, confident that the Government will continue to be vigilant for their safety and honour. — Reuter.

BELGRADE PUBLIC OPINION MADE MANIFEST

Belgrade, To-day.

While the Yugo-Slav Government maintains a reserved attitude, public opinion has become suddenly embittered against

London, To-day.

The foreign affairs committee of the Cabinet met at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at 10, Downing Street, at a conference presided over by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

Although no statement was issued, the evening newspapers declare that it was concerned with the offer of a guarantee to Greece and a sharp note of protest against the Italian action in Albania.

Italy, says the press, will be accused of violating the Anglo-Italian Agreement.

Those present at the meeting were Lord Halifax (Foreign Secretary), Sir Thomas Inskip (Dominions Secretary), Mr. Oliver Stanley (President of the Board of Trade), Lord Chatfield (Defence Co-ordination Minister), Mr. W. S. Morrison (representative in the Commons of Lord Chatfield), Sir Samuel Hoare

(Home Secretary) and Mr. R. A. Butler (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs).

FIRST TIME SINCE GREAT WAR

The full meeting of the Cabinet, held in the morning was the first time since the Great War that the Easter holidays had been broken by urgent Government affairs.

Except for Lord Runciman (Lord President of the Council), who is on a Mediterranean trip, and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald (Colonies Secretary), who is on holiday in the South of France and received notice of the meeting too late to attend, all Ministers were present.

The meeting lasted two and a

SIGNOR GAYDA TELLS THE WORLD

Rome, To-day.

The Italian attitude towards the Balkan States was expressed by Signor Gayda in "Giornale d'Italia" yesterday.

The article contains an attack on the American press for its comments on the Albanian outrage. Signor Gayda tells America to mind its own business.

Signor Gayda denied Italian designs on Yugo-Slavia and Greece.

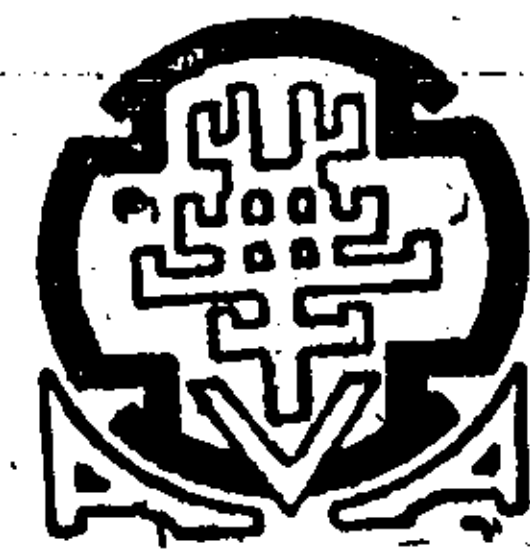
Italy, he says, will defend herself with all possible means against the British policy of encirclement, "and for this reason naturally has an interest in Yugo-Slavia and Greece."

WILL CO-OPERATE

Italy will co-operate with Yugo-Slavia; he says, and will not interfere with Greece, "in spite of her decision to place her harbours at the disposal of the Royal Navy."

Signor Gayda concludes by stating that questions between Italy and France still remain to be solved.—Trans-Ocean.

quarter hours, and the Mediterranean situation constituted the principal topic of discussion. Next meeting will be held on Thursday morning. — Trans-Ocean.



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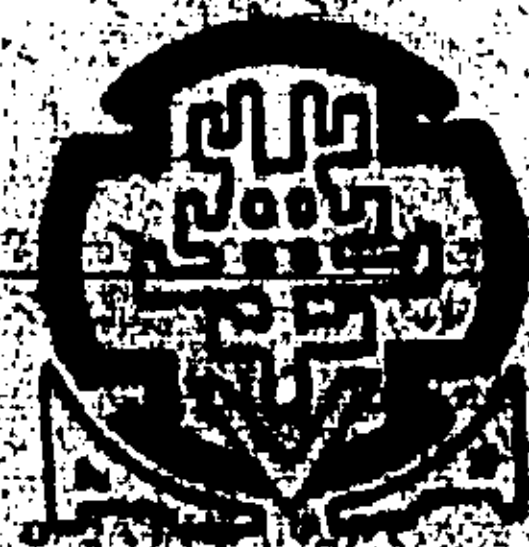
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COOPERATIVE MEASURES BY BRITAIN AND FRANCE

Occupation Of Corfu Not Yet Envisaged

BUCHAREST DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY

Bucharest, To-day.

The return of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, from Istanbul, was followed by intense diplomatic activity.

M. Gafencu yesterday received the Yugo-Slav Ambassador and the French, Italian and Hungarian Ministers. — Reuter.

ITALY GIVES AN ASSURANCE TO GREECE

Paris, To-day.

It is learned that the Greek newspapers to-day will publish the text of a statement in which the Italian Government guarantees the absolute territorial integrity of Greece, according to an Athens despatch. — Reuter.

TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning for leaving his car unattended in Salisbury Road from 5 p.m. to 6.45 p.m. on March 23, Mr. L. A. Soares, of 2, Liberty Avenue, was fined \$5.

Pleading guilty to a similar offence, Lt. Comdr. D. G. Clark, of No. 107, Boundary Street, was also fined \$5.

Mr. K. A. Manro, of Gilman and Company, was fined \$10 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, when summoned for leaving his motor car obstructing the road outside Peak Church, on March 19.

Mr. B. M. Bateman of Jardine Matheson, was summoned for parking overtime at Pedder Street, on March 22. A fine of \$2 was imposed.

Mr. D. Von Hansemann, of Courtland Hotel, was fined \$2 for a similar offence.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is probably moving slowly eastward over Korea and Japan. Pressure is relatively low over Tongking and Siam.

Local forecast:— E. to S.E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

Secrecy In France Until Decisions Have Been Reached

Paris, To-day.

To-day's meeting of the Cabinet will be devoted to close study of the situation in the Balkans and the Mediterranean.

Although it was stated at the Quai d'Orsay last night that Great Britain had no intention of occupying Corfu, it is regarded as certain that co-operative measures of security by Britain and France will be discussed.

It is reported that certain decisions in connection with national defence may be agreed upon to-day to ensure that France may be ready for any eventuality.

However, qualified quarters are observing the greatest discretion in this connection, and anyhow nothing is likely to leak out about them until the Council of Ministers meets.

The Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, will to-day give the Cabinet an account of his talks with the British and other representatives, and the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, will expound measures adopted for the security of France.

Although it was stated in official quarters last night that the atmosphere is considered less tense, plainly France is leaving nothing to chance. — Reuter.

BRITAIN HELD RESPONSIBLE

Istanbul, To-day.

The visit of the Rumanian Minister, M. Gafencu, to Turkey which had been originally planned for the second half of April, but advanced when Italian action in Albania became known, was due to British initiative, declare political circles.

Gafencu discussed with the Turkish Minister a Dardanelles agreement that would accord British warships unrestricted passage into the Black Sea, where Rumania has already promised a naval base on the Rumanian coast.

The negotiation also covered Turkish support against Bulgarian demands for frontier revision.

Four units of the Soviet Black Sea fleet slipped quietly through the Dardanelles on Saturday and set out for Far Eastern waters. — Trans-Ocean.

MOSLEM WORLD STIRRED

London, To-day.

The diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" says that Italy's invasion of Albania has stirred the whole Moslem world.

Feeling is particularly bitter in Egypt, he says, since King Farouk is descended from Albanian stock.

Indian Moslems also resent Italy's action, while the Jerusalem correspondent of "The Times" says that a strong revulsion of feeling has occurred among the Arabs, who till now had regarded Mussolini as their friend.

WOMEN FIGHT

At the request of Det.-Sgt. C. Pope, Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning remanded a 44-year-old married woman for three days when she was charged with common assault.

The woman, Leung Shui-hing, of No. 114, Shanghai Street, was alleged to have struck another woman on the stomach.

MUSSOLINI ROUSES THE WORLD AGAINST HIM

London, To-day.

"At one stroke the Italian Dictator has summoned the world against him," observes the "Evening Standard," discussing Mussolini's Albanian adventure and its consequences.

Humanity—Catholic, Protestant and Moslem—has spoken with one voice, says the paper.

After pointing out that no one now, as contrasted with last September, believes that this blow is an isolated action, the newspaper discusses the reaction of Britain. It says the feeling of outrage is more widespread but no sign of panic is evident. — Reuter.

BRITISH SOLDIERS KILLED

Jerusalem, To-day.

Four British soldiers were killed and two injured when a land mine exploded under a military trolley travelling on the railway north-west of Lydda yesterday. — Reuter.

CANTON EFFORT TO CHECK LOOTING

CANTON, TO-DAY.

TIGHTENING UP THE SCREW AGAINST LOOTERS THE POLICE AUTHORITIES HAVE ISSUED AN ORDER PROHIBITING THE SALE OF FURNITURE IN STREET MARKETS.

Although unable to obtain the necessary proof, the authorities believe that the majority of household articles offered for sale in these markets have been acquired illegally.

Meanwhile, despite stricter searching by the Japanese and increased military patrols, the number of armed robberies and hold-ups in broad daylight in the city shows no diminution.

FOREIGNERS HELD UP

Foreigners now give the loot markets a wide berth following the recent hold-up of an Indian couple and a prominent Portuguese resident of Shameen.

In both cases revolvers were produced by the footpads to ensure silence and a safe getaway. The Portuguese was unceremoniously clubbed on the head with a pistol barrel when he showed resistance.

Unbeknown to the general public, the Canton District Court is functioning normally, according to Chuck Kiu, the Chief judge. Thirty-one criminal cases have been disposed of since late December, while there are 650 inmates in the district prison. Most of the latter are awaiting trial. — Reuter.

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OUR ADVERSE TRADE BALANCE IS DOWN

British overseas trade returns for February show imports for the first two months of this year to be down by nearly \$20,000,000 on those of the corresponding period last year, with a decline in exports of only £1,213,982.

In February last year the imports total of £75,738,644 exceeded by £32,682,216 the combined exports and re-exports. For last month, adverse trade balance is down to £22,690,773.



With the object of proving that British hairdressers and Fashion Designers are leading the world to-day, the Hairdressers' Fashion Committee a fortnight ago presented a "Parade of the Ages 1750-1939" at the Grosvenor Hotel, Park Lane. Photo shows Gainsborough's lovely portrait of the Duchess of Devonshire, live again at the Parade.

LEFT HER PIANO TO PUPIL

Her grand piano to the Royal College of Music, Kensington, to be awarded to one of the pianoforte pupils, is a bequest in the will, just published, of Mrs. Lily Susan Brockwell, of Glebe-place, Chelsea, who left £14,842. Charities get the residue.

£4 FOR A CROMWELL COIN

An Oliver Cromwell crown (5s.) silver piece of 1653 by Thomas Simon, the great craftsman, was auctioned in London for £4. The coin bore the inscription: "Let no one remove these letters unless he is ready to die."

In those days death was the penalty for defacement of a coin.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

Heard in London police court: Man at Stratford: "What am I doing for a living now? I'm gathering strength to make a fresh start."

Motorist at Tottenham: There is room for three lanes of traffic on this road with safety and four good luck but I can't have any more.

Police constable at Beckenham: I told him he would be arrested and he said, "It was a bad day for me when you joined the force."

Woman at Salisbury: I have plans for the future, I have a shopping list.

Exports for February at £38,052,216 show a slight increase — just over £500,000 — on February last year, although they reveal a drop of nearly £1,500,000 compared with last January.

HE SHELLED YARMOUTH

Admiral von Levetzow, who commanded the German battle cruiser Moltke during the war, has died. It was he who bombarded Yarmouth and Hartlepool. Later he was for some time police chief in Berlin.

BID OF £1 OPENS SALE

OF EMPIRE'S SHOW

A modest bid of £1 opened the sale of the late Empire Exhibition, at Bellahouston Park, Glasgow. At the sale, which will continue for four days, can buy anything from a cocktail bar to cutlery used by the King and Queen in the royal suite, or a complete flood-lighting system.

Among the 550 lots auctioned were several typewriters, a number of dress suits, hundreds of chairs, some filling cabinets and a machine for addressing letters.



"K" Battery of the Royal Horse Artillery have already begun practising on Wormwood Scrubs for the Royal Tournament at Olympia. Photo shows an impressive study of a line of recruits out at exercise.

CLOVER LUCK AT WEDDINGS

At St. Ignace, Michigan, U.S., a piece of four-leafed clover is attached to every marriage licence issued. The registrar planted it specially in the courthouse yard.

GIANT FLYING DUTCHMAN

A 100-ton, eight-motor flying-boat is being built at Rotterdam for ocean flights. The flying-boat, which will carry sixty to seventy passengers, will fly to America in twenty hours.

This will be twice the size of Germany's famous, but not over-successful, Dornier Do.X flying-boat of the early '30s. Britain's biggest at present are those on the Empire routes, of 24 tons. But the Dutchman will be a single stunt boat; ours are a regular line in everyday service. . . . Do.X carried 159 passengers on short flights.

ERROL FLYNN IS O.K.

Reassuring news about Errol Flynn, the film star, was contained in a cablegram received at the Belfast home of his parents. Miss Flynn, the actor's sister said: "Errol is perfectly all right."

[Flynn disappeared when on a hunting trip in Virginia. No news of him had been received since he was reported in New Orleans a fortnight ago. Warner Brothers, anxious to get into touch with him, offered £100 reward for news of his whereabouts.]

POLICE CAR REFUGE

A woman has every right to use a police car as a sanctuary was the ruling given by a New York magistrate in dismissing a charge of disorderly conduct against a woman who, a policeman said, had refused to leave his patrol car.

She pleaded that she sought refuge there after a quarrel with her husband.

GERMAN SETTLEMENT

SEARCH

The German Consul, accompanied by high British military officials, arrived at the German settlement of Waldheim, in the Nazareth hills. The settlement is to be searched. It had been surrounded by British troops during the night after a search for terrorists who planted a landmine which killed two Jews and injured two others.

APPEAL SAVES WILD HERD

The appeal for funds to preserve the famous herd of Chillingham wild cattle has succeeded, and an association is to be formed to safeguard them. For more than 700 years the cattle have lived in a wild state at Chillingham, but a threat of extinction came recently when Lord Tankerville announced that he was unable to maintain the cattle at his own expense.

"PLASTIC" PLANES

Through the use of plastic materials, United States aeronautic experts hope eventually to "pour aeroplanes" like concrete.

Already manufacturers have been asked to submit estimates. This disclosure in evidence before the Congressional Committee was made public in Washington.

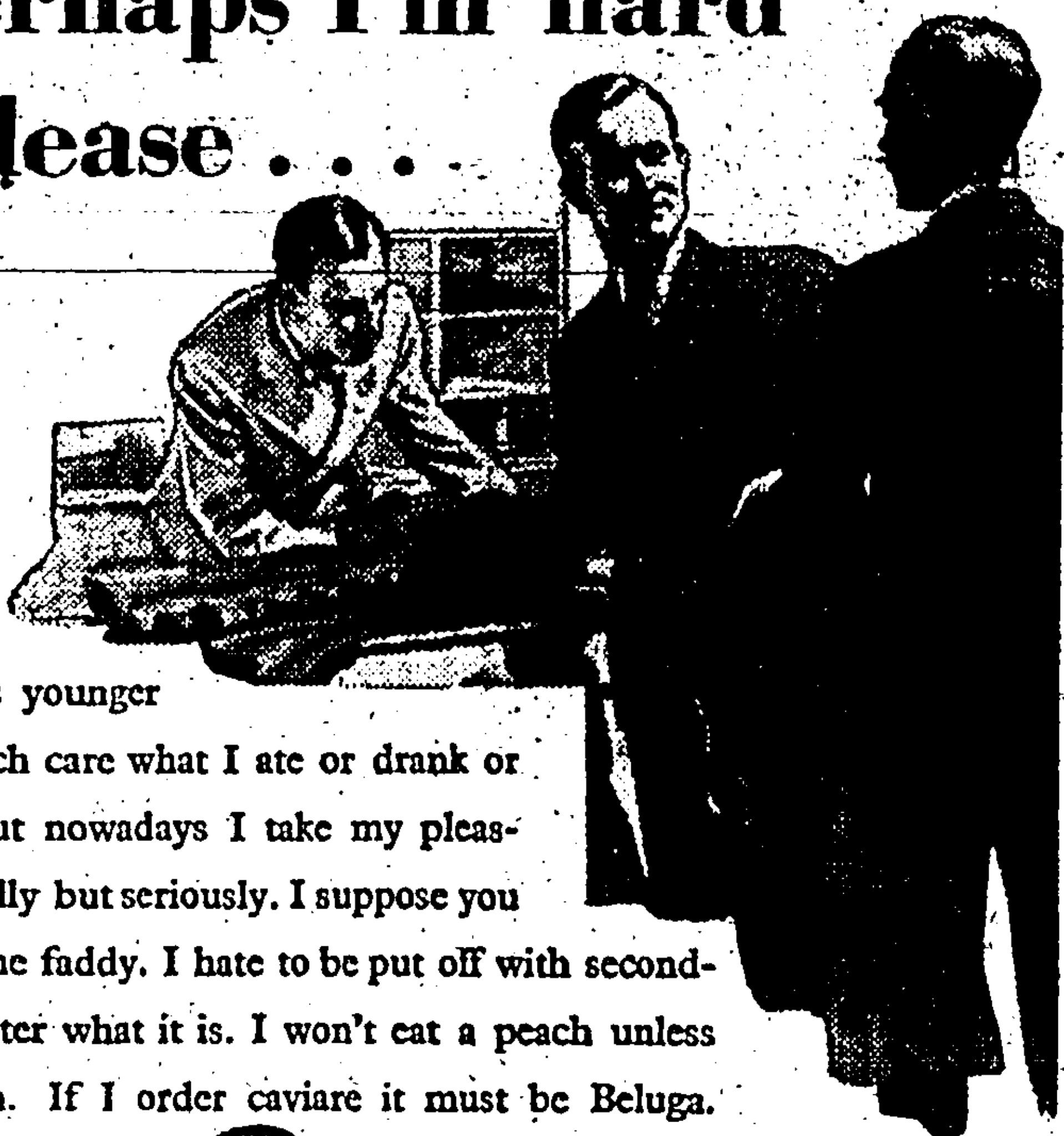
Among the statements were:

The United States Army has at present only 870 first-line fighting planes of all types.

It would take three years under emergency conditions to raise American aircraft production to 1,000 planes a month, the figure generally given for Germany's present output.

The number of mechanics in the industry would have to be increased from 27,000 to 40,000.

"Perhaps I'm hard to please . . ."



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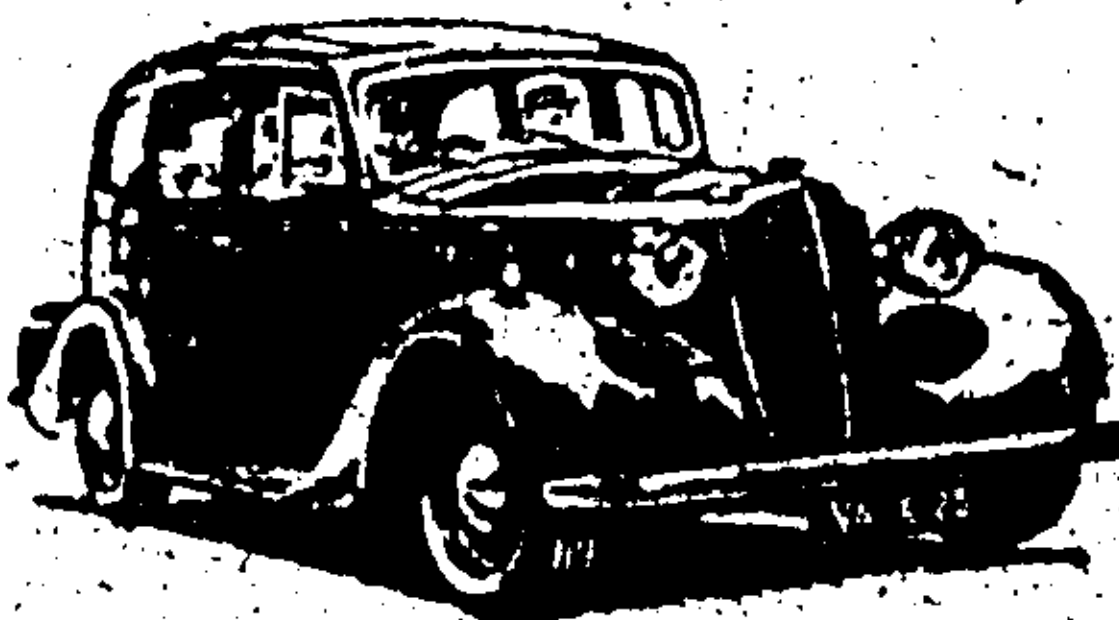
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SHANKS'S MARE

Mr. Alex Henshaw, of Mablethorpe, Lincs, flew from London to Cape of Good Hope and back in less than four and a half days. His flying time for the outward journey was less than forty hours. The homeward trip took eight minutes longer. It is odd that a matter of five minutes should be of any consequence in a trip across the world. When you have saved the five minutes, what do you with them? But there it is. We shall be soon hearing that somebody has knocked another second off the record to Australia, as though he were a runner in a mile race. It must be added that Mr. Henshaw was lifted fainting and bleeding from his machine on arrival in England. What he saw of the world which he so rapidly traversed, often at a height of 18,000 feet, would hardly make a large story. Journeys of this kind demand great gallantry, endurance, and skill, and, no doubt, they add largely to our supplies of a curious and fashionable entity called National Prestige. But they can scarcely be enjoyable, nor are they likely, in their whizbang course above the clouds, to fulfil travel's historic function of enlarging the mind.

The news of Mr. Henshaw's triumph came to my eye just after I had been reading of a journey made by a Scottish minister of religion and his family rather over a hundred years ago. They had to travel from Ayrshire to London, and being poor, apparently, could not afford to take the coach direct. They were "to walk in the paths of moderation": it was a long stroll, for it meant coaching to Greenock, going thence by steamboat to Glasgow, driving across to Edinburgh, and then "taking passage at Leith in one of the smacks for London." In all, about a week's work. Yet, even with bad weather in the North Sea, this Dr. Pringle and his family—whose charming company you will encounter in John Galt's "The Ayrshire Legatees"—had profit and enjoyment of their journey.

They had eyes and looked about them, at the mountains of Arran and Argyle, at "the social villas of Wemyss Bay," and at Greenock ("the most superb town I have yet seen," wrote Miss Pringle). They had a day in Glasgow, and proceeded, four in a fly-coach, to Edinburgh, contrasted "the veteran aspect of the Old Town with the bright, smooth forehead of the New," sailed to Gravesend, and then drove up to London by way of Blackheath, from

the Sun was declined towards the horizon; vast masses of dark low-hung clouds were mingled with the smoky canopy; and the dome of St. Paul's like the enormous idol of some terrible deity, throned amidst the smoke of sacrifice and magnificence, darkness, and mystery, presented altogether an object of vast sublimity. I felt touched with reverence as if I was indeed approaching the city of The Human Powers.

Now if the Pringle family had been making a trip to-day from the manse at Garnock to the lawyer's office in Broad Street, London, they

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would have gone by train neatly bestowed for the night in third-class sleepers, covering the distance in eight hours or so, and seeing nothing whatever of sky, sea, or land. Such transport has its quickness and convenience.

In the time that it took the Pringles, little more than a century ago, to pass sociably and watchfully from Ayrshire to London one of their great-grandchildren might have flown round the world—and seen none of it. It seems at least possible that the children of such an aeronaut will before long be yearning for a way of life in which it is once more possible to dawdle, to look about, to stand and stare, and to come home with a stored mind instead of with a racking headache. Even now the rebellion against speed is spreading. Yes, we in Great Britain have just passed the three-million mark in registered motor-vehicles; but that sort of progress stimulates the reaction while it soars ahead. With more cars come more horse-riders, more bicyclists, more walkers; with more capacity for speed comes also a great eagerness to go slow. The filthy roar of the speedboat encourages more to raise a sail and use Nature's smiling aid (or fight Nature's sullen anger) in quiet creek.

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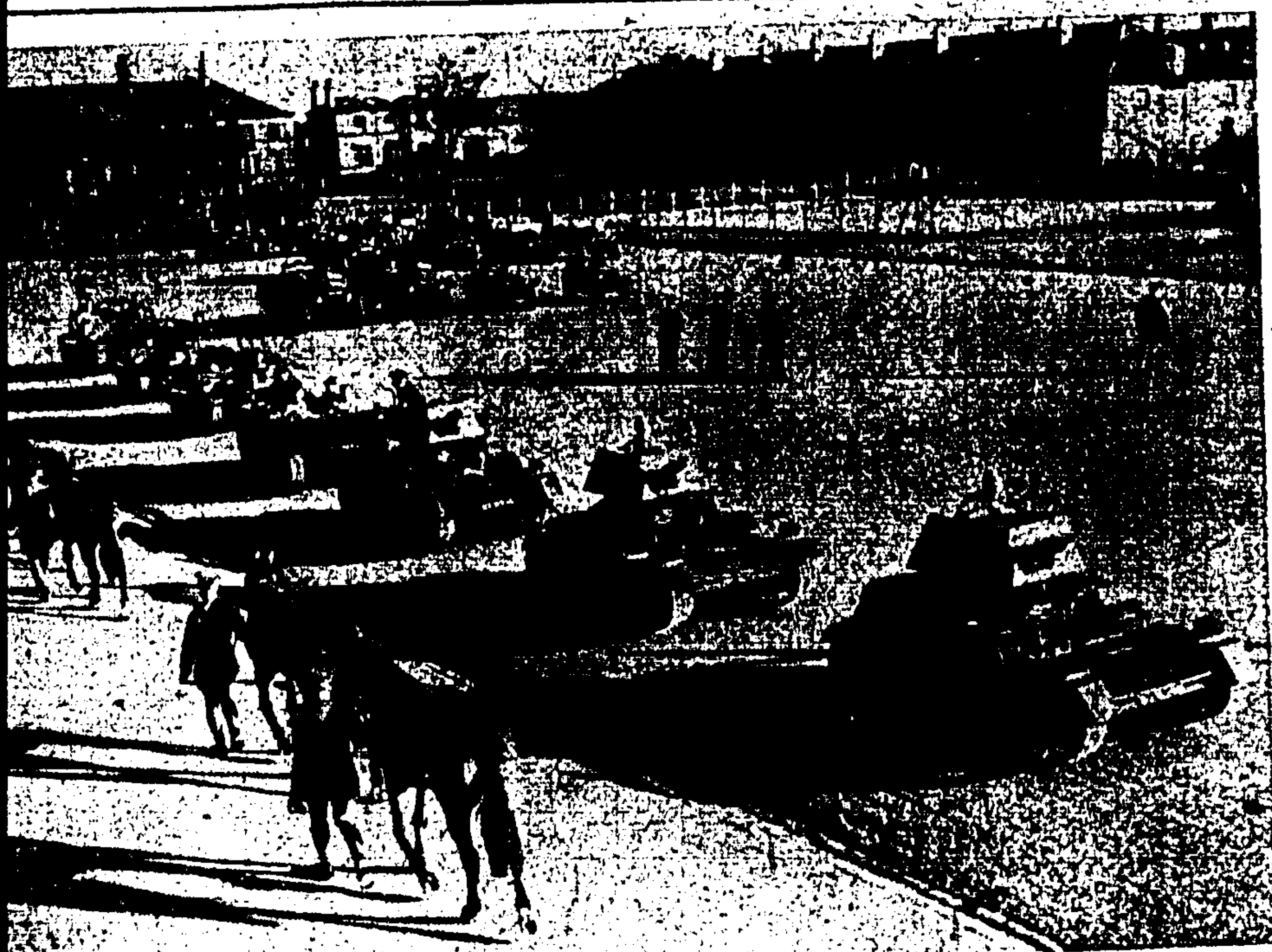
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Jimmy's Kitchen

INEXPENSIVE SATISFYING

(Above) — THE ARMY — OLD AND NEW.—In the barracks of the 15th/19th Hussars at York the old and the new exists side by side. On one hand the visitor sees cavalry ceremonial with recruits drilling sword in hand and smart spurred troopers on guard. On the other he sees heavy trucks and speedy tanks, the new mechanised side. "Stables" is still sounded every morning at eleven but the soldiers groom tanks instead of horses. There are still a few horses left, however, for mechanisation is not yet complete and a few chargers will be kept for ceremonial occasions.

are, in the interests of sane journey-ing, certain immediate points to be established. One is the defence of inaccessibility—or what remains of it. There is an Irish "bullishness" about demanding inaccessible places for our journeying, but the point is made clear and urgent by the ap-palling statement issued not long ago by the Cumberland County Coun-cil with regard to its plans for road development in the Lake District. The council supported its proposals by talk of stimulating trade, and actually promised to "open up" a unique countryside which is gradu-ally being forgotten owing to present inaccessibility." The idea that Scafell and Great Gable are being gradually forgotten because there is no road for motorists over the Sty Head Pass is a conceit so fantastic and reveals a state of mind so menacing that the Friends of the Lake District, who are really fighting a national battle as well as a local

one in their championship of sense and sensibility in regional control, have done well to expose it. Now, whether or not you agree with everything in their new pamphlet, "A Road Policy for the Lake Dis-trict", the fact remains that they are fighting for an essential point, the defence of the track, which means the retention of at least some places in our country where a man can only go slowly and quietly, by his own or his horse's effort.

A Minister of Transport recently laid it down that the traveller, whether motorist or not, "has a com-plete right to use the King's high-way, which, from time to time, has to be widened or improved so as safely to accommodate the increas-ing traffic." This is only half the legal truth. There is another and most valuable half which permits the Minister on request of a local authority, to close a road to motor-vehicles and to keep it in its old con-dition of carriageway, track, or bridle-path. Says the pamphlet:

In other words there is authority from Parliament for definitely closing to cars and motor-cycles such old and well-tried walking routes in the Lake District as, for example, the Garburn Pass or Walna Sca.

The Lake District is very small: a circle with a radius of fifteen miles includes it all. An aeroplane can cross it in ten minutes. Yet still it has some of the noble "inaccessi-bilities" which so distress the local senators of Cumberland, and we must preserve it so. For in such places we can still go a journey and spend ten glorious days in learning and loving every inch of ten glori-ous miles. Before long, mankind, exasperated, bored, and battered by the screaming tyranny of speed, will ask of what avail is all this craving for mileage, this insensate girdling of the universe in record times which only brings home more neuralgia than knowledge. Let us restore, for our peace and pleasure, a con-dition of travel in which miles re-cover their meaning and a score of them is a day's good progress, with their colours and contours abiding in the watchful mind. Let us make even Ministers of Transport and even and respect in England for those ancient and admirable ways of slow journeying. Let us make the



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by PATRICIA LINDSAY

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Try These Easy Exercises

If your speech is not as clear and distinct as it should be, here are three simple exercises for your lips, tongue and jaw which will make them flexible and more quick and sure to do their duties.

To Exercise The Lips

(1) Extend them forward in open circular form; then let them



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relax and return to normal. Repeat several times.

(2) Starting with lips closed, puff them apart with the breath, as for the sound of "p" in the word "part," and repeat rapidly.

(3) Repeat, adding the various vowel sounds, in order—as "pah," "pay," etc.

(4) Again repeat, substituting the "b" sound, as "bah," "bay," etc.

To Exercise The Tongue

With mouth well open, curve tip of tongue upward to touch gums just back of front teeth and return to normal. Repeat several times, gradually speeding up. Repeat, sounding "lah" each time tongue is lowered. Again repeat, successive-

ly using the sounds "tah," "nah" and "lah."

To Exercise The Jaw

Drop the jaw, with muscles relaxed, far enough to permit inserting the thumb sideways between the teeth. Return to closed position, and repeat several times. Repeat, sounding the syllable "mah" each time the jaw is dropped. Repeat, using the sounds "maw" and "moh." Avoid any forcing down or stiffening of the jaw. It should drop loosely.

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

An inclination to do as you please can get you into a great deal of trouble this day. Rude impulses, may be the controlling factors that will bring about family dissension, business disputes, and lovers' quarrels, so be on your guard against them. It will be only the disregard of what may appear to be trifles, that apparently will upset plans, and, perhaps, cause engagements to be postponed or broken. Careless replies to questions put to you while you are working may require you to explain at length later on. You may have to be prepared to do something in a hurry this day, possibly in the way of dressing or making a quick trip. Married and engaged couples, as well as those whose matrimonial possibilities seem to be exceptionally good, must avoid ridiculing any suggestion that is made, particularly if it involves some social activity.

If a woman and April 11 is your birthday, you probably are adverse to being criticized. Nonsense has little appeal to you, nor do lengthy conversations without rhyme or reason. You are likely to be thrifty in some of your ways, but decidedly extravagant in other ways. Praise may mean much to you, and any lack of expressed appreciation is apt to have a depressing affect upon you. Your future prospects appear to involve a period of great prosperity, which apparently will come in a very unexpected manner. Theatrical musical literary or artistic work might be the most suitable for you to engage in. Your matrimonial future should be very bright.

The child born on April 11, must be taught from its earliest years, not to be destructive or wasteful. Mentally alert, this youngster ought to do well in school, and be very successful in whatever it applies itself to.

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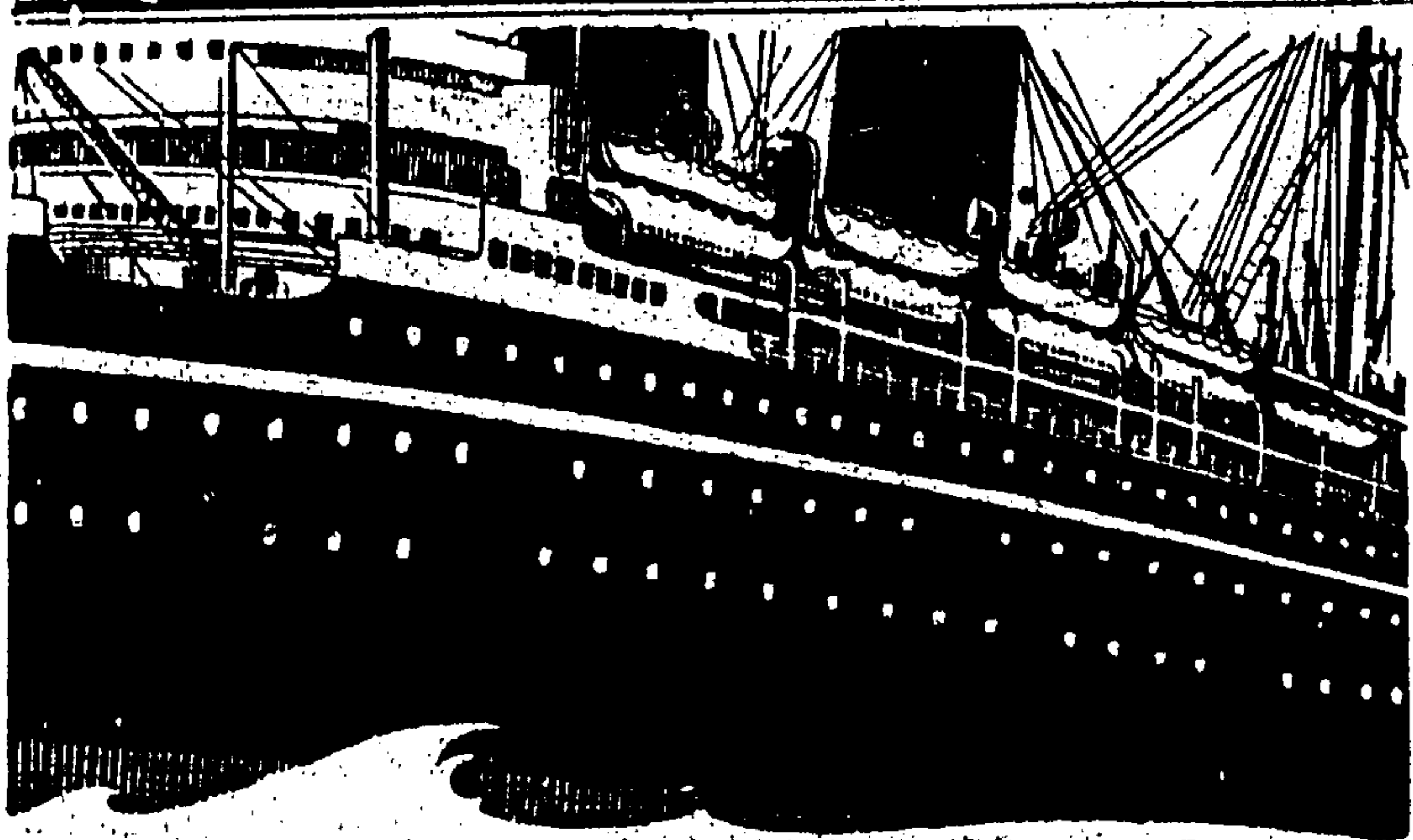
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Saigon	Laos	April 11.
Straits and Manila	Menestheus	April 11.
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Shanghai and Amoy	Soochow	April 12.
Shanghai and Swatow	Taiyuan	April 12.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.) London date, 18th March and London Parcels—London date, 9th March.	Carthage	April 12.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 12.
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Formosa	Canton Maru	April 12.
Java	Tjibadak	April 13.
Saigon	Jean Laborde	April 13.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 18th Mar.)	Pres. Adams	April 13.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 24th Mar.)	Pres. Taft	April 13.
Japan	Rakuyo Maru	April 14.
Manila	Neptuna	April 15.
Straits	Diomed	April 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 17th Mar.)	Asama Maru	April 15.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 8th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 15.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
TUESDAY		
Haiphong	Canton	Tues., Apr. 11, 2.00 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Jean Dupuis	Tues., Apr. 11, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Anhui	Tues., Apr. 11, 2.30 p.m.
Sandakan	Woolgar	Tues., Apr. 11, 3.30 p.m.
Chuanchow and Foochow	Sandviken	Apr. 11, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Anyo Maru	Apr. 11, 3.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Swatow, Chuanchow and Foochow	Hoihow	Wed., Apr. 12, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Taisang	Wed., Apr. 12, 1.30 p.m.
THURSDAY		
Shanghai and Japan	Carthage	Apr. 13, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Jean Laborde	Apr. 13, 1.30 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, Pan American Airways plane and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 19th April.	Pan American Airways plane	Thursday, April 13.
	Reg.,	Wed., Apr. 12, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Wed., Apr. 12, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Wed., Apr. 12, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Wed., Apr. 13, 7.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Taksang	Thur., Apr. 13, 3.00 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Thur., Apr. 13, 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thur., Apr. 13.
	Reg.,	Thur., Apr. 13, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., Apr. 13, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Thur., Apr. 13, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., Apr. 13, 7.00 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 22nd April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Apr. 13.
	Reg.,	Apr. 13, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 13, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 13, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 13, 7 p.m.
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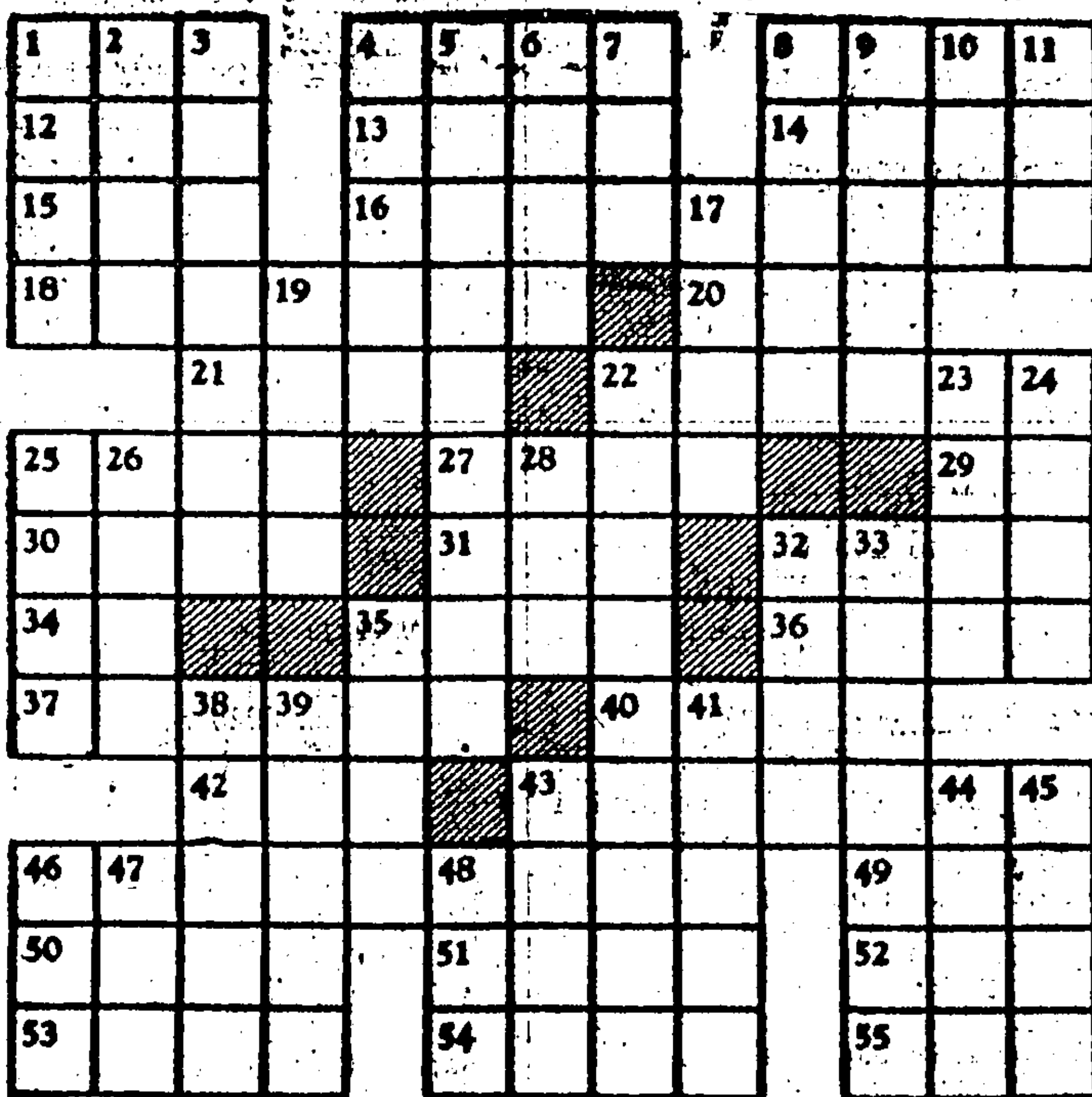
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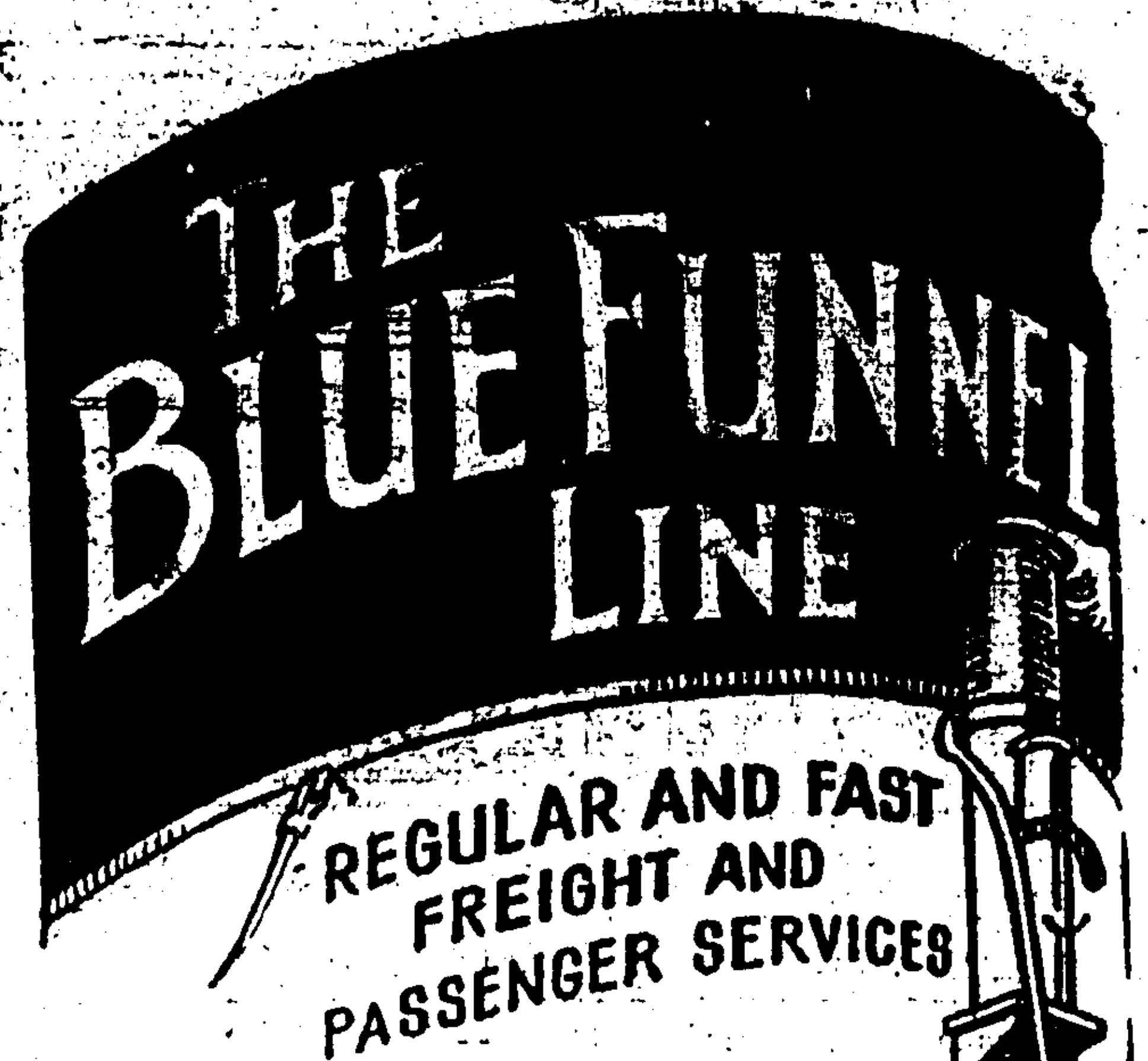
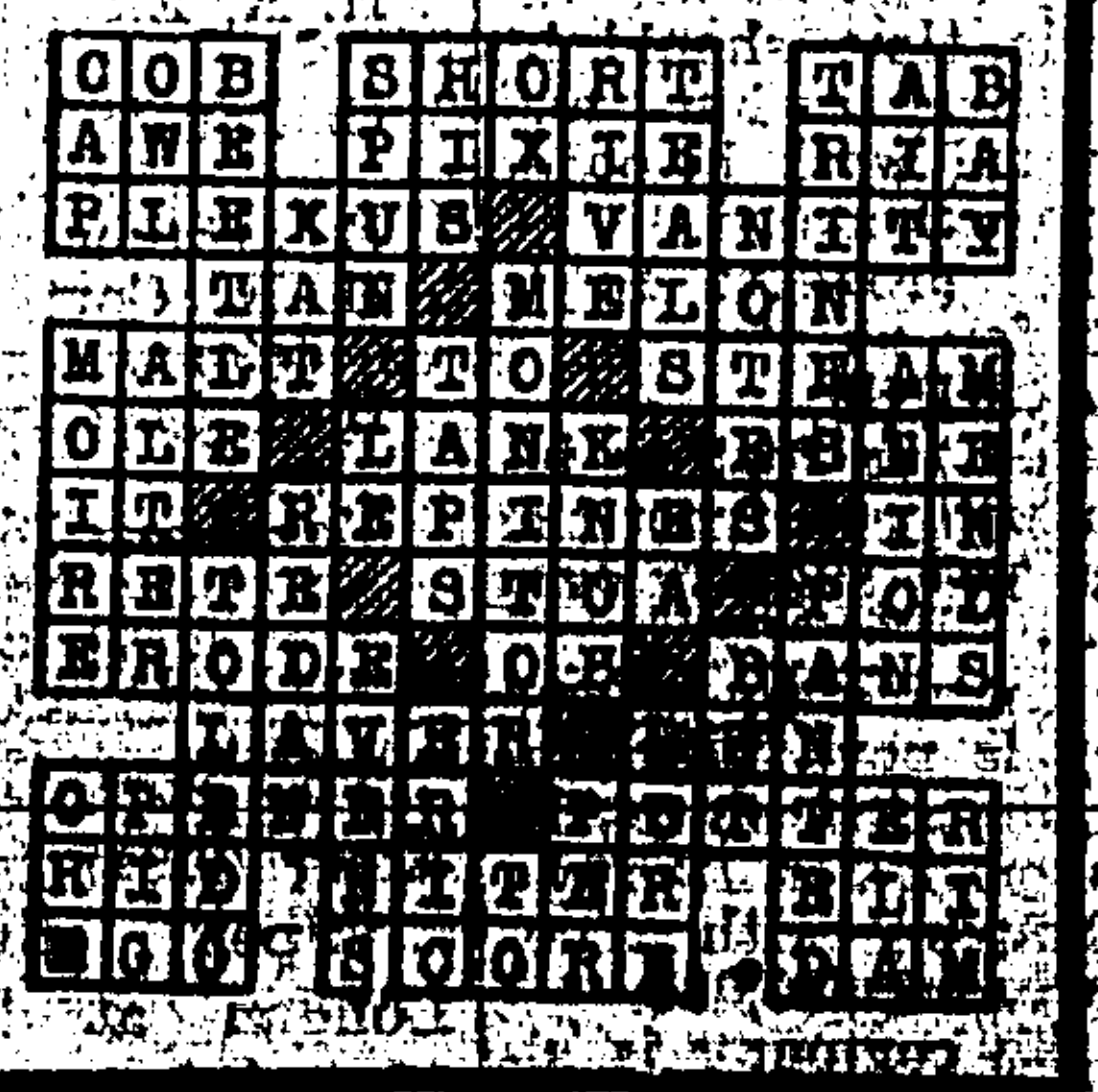
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- 3 Interfered
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- 6 Leaf veins

7 Part of shoe

- 8 Protuberant part
- 9 Pertaining to birds
- 10 Prefix
- 11 Son of Jacob
- 17 To wash
- 18 Grain spikes
- 22 Subjects of dislike
- 23 To urge
- 24 Gaelic
- 25 Goddess of discord
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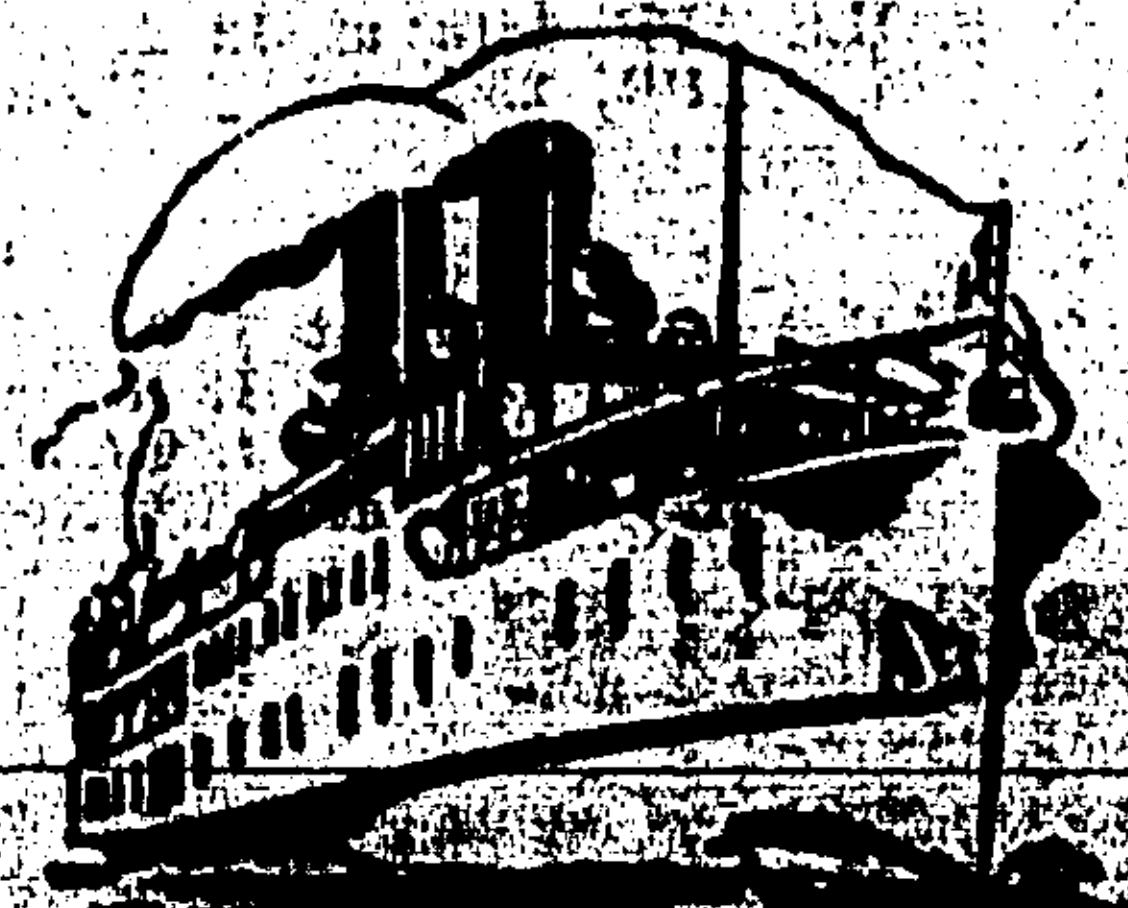
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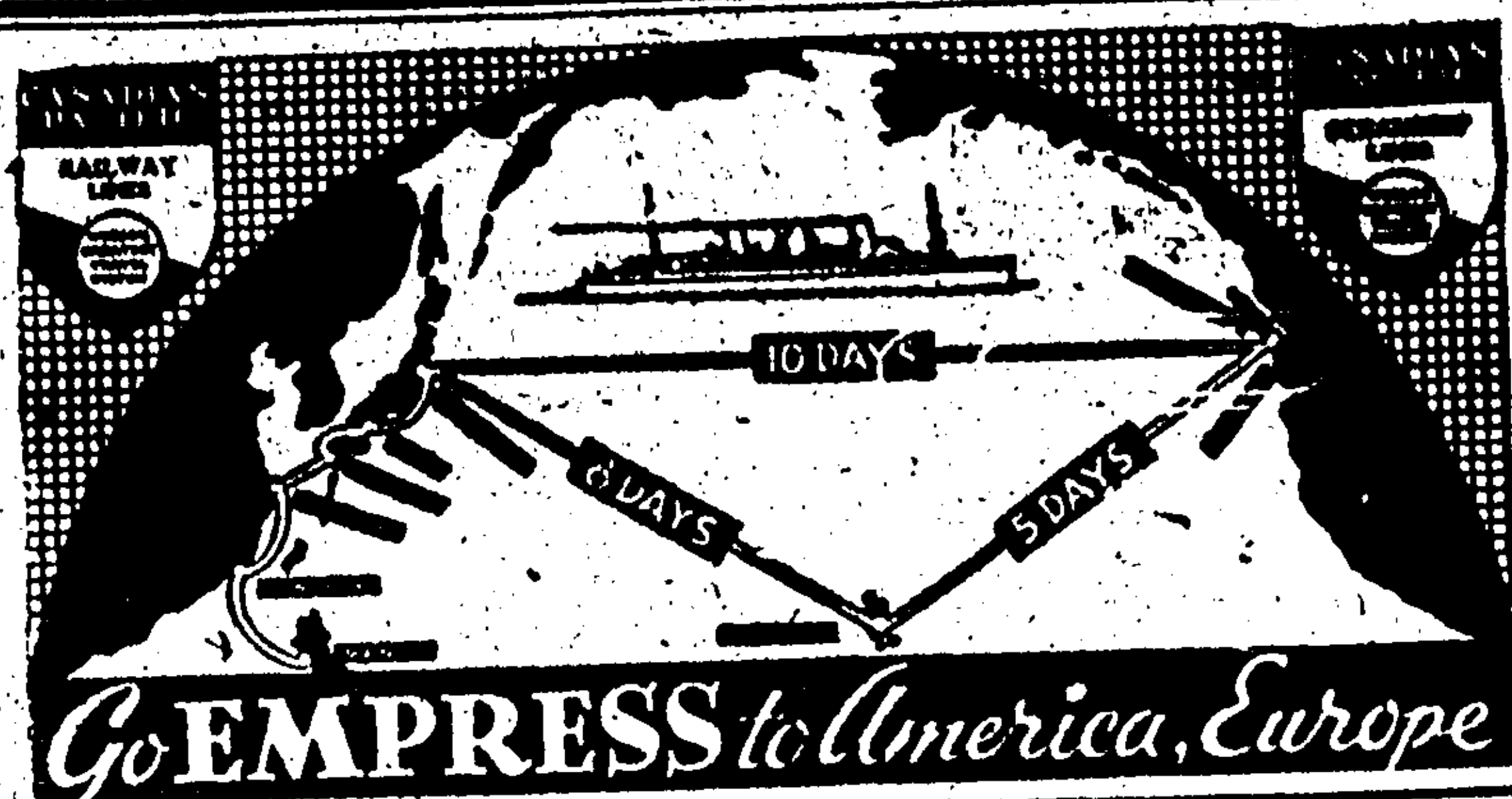
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The profit and loss account showed a loss of £2,490.14.7d which was made up entirely of current running expenses. The amount will be carried forward.

The Chairman said:—As you are aware the only investment made on your behalf during the year under review is the purchase of 105,300 shares of £1. each of New Saza Mines Limited at par. With your permission therefore I shall devote a considerable part of my remarks on this occasion to giving you as much up-to-date information as possible on this investment.

The capital of New Saza Mines Limited is £150,000, so that you will see that you have acquired a very fine holding in the Company.

The Saza Mine was formerly the property of East African Goldfields Ltd., with an issued capital of £476,943.15/- and a Debenture Issue of £132,840. In addition to the above there was a Share Premium account of £112,000, indicating that the sum of over £721,000. had been spent by the former owners on this and one other smaller property which they formerly owned. The Debenture issue had been created to provide funds for the building of a mill.

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The Debenture holders foreclosed on the property and appointed a Receiver to dispose of the Assets of the Company.

The mill is now erected and operating and I am happy to be able to tell you that so far no difficulties have been experienced either during plant erection or since milling commenced.

The plant is rated to treat 125 tons per day of twenty four hours. The crushing end however, has been designed to treat 250 tons per day of 24 hours.

INCREASED CAPACITY

It is contemplated to increase the mill capacity to 250 tons per day as soon as sufficient experience has been obtained with the present plant and a close study made of the metallurgy of the ore in plant practice. The value of the ore to be treated to commence with will be 7 dwts. (U.S.\$7.00—old price of gold) or Ps.24.50 or HK\$39.20.—gold at US\$35.00. No account is taken of the present premium on gold over 140 shillings per five ounce. The recovery indicated by the various tests on which the plant design was based is over 90%.

Costs, I believe, should be in the region of 25 East African shillings or Ps.12.50 or HK\$20.00 per ton.

On that basis a monthly profit in the neighbourhood of £3,500. should be earned by treating 125 tons per day.

Further economies in operation will of course accrue when the plant capacity is increased. Tonnage will not be forced through to commence with and possibly only 100 tons per day will be treated for the first few months.

The ore reserve position is safe and it is estimated that there is at present a four years' supply for a 250-ton plant.

A suitable staff took up residence on the property early last month and as there is a five-months run of ore in surface dumps, ample time should be available for slope preparation and getting the underground work in order before the dumps are exhausted.

I believe Saza will prove to be a splendid investment for us.

RHAMBA MINE
The capital available for further investment is, as you will see from the Balance Sheet before you, slightly over £28,000.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that this money is now fully employed having been invested since the close of the financial period in Rhamba Mines Limited, a company with a nominal capital in shares of £50,000.

The property of the company is situated in Kenya and is at present being equipped with a 30/50-ton per day plant. Milling should commence in October.

The ore is of the high

supply blocked out at date of commencement of milling.

The property has been valued at £40,000. by Major Lathbury, a qualified mining engineer in Kenya, and probably the most conservative and successful operator there.

The Rhamba Mines Ltd., have paid £39,500. for the mine, satisfied as follows:—

In Cash £14,500. 0. 0.
In Shares 10,000. 0. 0.

By the issue of 7% Debentures of which 50 per cent are convertible into shares 15,000. 0. 0.

£39,500. 0. 0.

With your £25,000 subscription the issued capital is, with that issued to the vendors £10,000 above, equal to £35,000 at present. If the debenture holders exercise their right to convert, the then paid up capital will be £42,500. It is hoped to hold the capital down to that figure.

The results forecasted for the Rhamba operation are very satisfactory.

GREATER DEPTH

Even on a 30 ton per day basis and only a 10 dwt. head with a 90 per cent. recovery and a cost of 20 East African shillings per ton, a profit of £1,000 per month is shown. The mine has been opened to a vertical depth of 300 ft. and values on that horizon are found in a free state in the primary zone indicating greater depth to the deposit.

In concluding my remarks, I must say that I am highly gratified with the progress made in the short nine months life of your Company. Suitable properties are not easily obtained and I consider that we may congratulate ourselves in having placed all of our available capital to such advantage.

I now beg formally to propose that the Report and Accounts for the financial period ended 31st December, 1938 as submitted be adopted. I shall be obliged if any shareholder will kindly second such proposal.

Mr. J. H. Sampson seconded the resolution which was unanimously carried.

Mr. S. Hampdon Russ proposed and Mr. J. H. Sampson seconded the re-election of Messrs. J. Fraser Brown and H. T. Fox as directors—unanimously carried.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were unanimously re-elected Auditors for the ensuing year at the same remuneration as hitherto on the proposal of Mr. J. Fraser Brown and seconded by Mr. J. H. Sampson.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1360 b., \$1390 s.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$220 b.
Union Ins. \$465 b.
H. K. Fire Ins. \$183 b., \$183 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$105 sa.
H. K. Docks \$16 b.
Providents \$4.00 sa.

MINING

Antamoks Ps. 35 sa.
Atoks Ps. 30 sa.
Baguio Gold Ps. 24½ sa.
Benguet Consol. Ps. 11.70 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. 35 sa.
Demonstrations Ps. 13 sa.
I. X. L. Ps. 52 sa.
Itogons Ps. 25½ sa.
North Camarines Ps. 53 sa.
San Mauricio Ps. 1.78 sa.
Sayoc Consol. Ps. 16½ sa.
United Paracales Ps. 60 sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. Lands \$38½ b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$18.35 sa.
China Lights (Old) \$2.35 sa.
China Lights (New) \$5.40 b.
H. K. Electric \$55½ sa.

INDUSTRIALS

Canton Ices 95 cts. b.

MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$6.55 sa.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prem. b., 4% prem. sa.
H. K. Govt. 3½% Loan par ¼% prem. sa.
Maramans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 5/- sa.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-5/8.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20 and forward at 19-11/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at 2—U.S.\$4.6812 and the New York—London rate at 1/2—U.S.\$4.6812.

SOFTBALL NOTES

Poor Tactics Cost Portugal Game In International Series

Filipino Girls Win Thrilling Tussle PROTEST IN MEN'S INTERNATIONAL

(By Grand Stand)

THE Women's International Series game between Philippines and Portugal was by far the most interesting clash during the week-end.

In a game which was played in record time, lasting only 40 minutes, the Filipino Gals took the Portuguese girls to town to the tune of 5-3 in an exciting and interesting fray.

The game was a corker from start to finish and was the best scrap dished out to local softball fans for many a day.

Portugal drew first blood in the opening canto when Celeste Marques crossed the plate on Fadeira's wild throw to first and Back-Stop Suntay's wild heave to third.

In the second inning, Celeste Marques got to first on a hit and romped home on Irene Costiho's bingle to put Portugal two runs ahead.

The Filipinos did not score till the third inning when Fausta Dimanlig came home on a safe blow and a sacrifice hit by Babida.

In the fourth frame, the Southern Gals jumped to the lead when Eliza Tabuniar clouted a beautiful homer to right field chasing in Charito Esman ahead of her. The Filipinos garnered one more run in the fifth and another in the sixth canto to cinch the game.

Nena Rebeiro scored the third Portuguese run in the 7th inning when they attempted a vain rally by playing a bunting game which had the Filipino infield baffled.

If the Portuguese gals had resorted to bunting earlier in the game the result might have been different.

Portugal had a good chance to score more runs in the last inning but the Filipino tight fielding prevented them from doing so. Fielding honours must go to Fausta Dimanlig, the Filipino third sacker, when in the last frame with bases loaded and none out, she pulled a double play unassisted putting Marie Roza out on a fly and touched third to nail Lopes who started home too soon.

Former Schoolgirl Star

Dimanlig also made the last put-out of the session on Tabuniar's assist. Eliza Tabuniar besides knocking the only homer of the game, played a good game at short-stop. Lydia Dietz, who hails from the province of Nueva Ecija in the P.I. and thirteen years ago was one of the star pitchers of the Philippine Normal School, held away on the mound for the P.I. girls and was a great help in bringing the bacon home for the Southern femmes.

Terese Noronha pitched a much better game for Portugal than she did for the Wahos in the previous day but unfortunately she did not receive good support from the fielders who misused six times afield. Charito Esman played a very creditable game at the initial sack for the Philippines.

In the Men's International series, China humbled Philippines in a game marred by a protest. The protest arose when the umpire allowed a run to score when the runner from second base was out at first.

China but was yanked out in the third frame after he walked nine batters, and five Filipinos scored on four Chinese errors and not a single hit.

Elongated Bill Woo moved from the initial sack to the mound in the third inning and held the Filipino Lads scoreless for the rest of the clash.

The Chinese chalked up seven safe blows off twirler Loyola and these hits helped by 8 Filipino errors gave the Chinese their eight runs.

The fourth inning was a heart breaker for the Filipinos. In this inning the Chinese pushed across five tallies on Frank Maxey's bobbie and, to the surprise of all, Dave Bautista dropped Richard Chung's long fly to left field.

To add to their hard luck, in this inning occurred the blocked ball and the two disputed runs allowed by the Umps. Honorato Paulino was again outstanding at the Windy Alley and looked like a one man team.

Luis Eramela played headup ball behind the plate and was poison to those crying to steal home. For China, Earl Wong and Hong Sling were outstanding in the infield. Hong Sling was the heaviest slugger of the game with three hits out of four times to bat. A neat double play was executed by Earl Wong to Bill Woo and from Bill Woo to Nip Lum to retire Pedring Gosuico at first with Frank Maxey tagged out at the plate.

Wildcats' Success

The Wildcats, fielding only eight players, proved their mettle last Saturday afternoon when they whipped the Wahos 9-4 in the playoff in the Women's League.

The Wildcats will have the distinction of being the first team to have their name inscribed on the Southard Trophy which was donated by Mrs. E. Southard wife of the United States Consul General in Hong Kong.

The Wildcats took an early lead in the first inning, crossing the plate three times in this frame. The Wahos scored one lonely run in the first canto and were held scoreless till the seventh, when they rallied with three tallies to be five runs behind when the session ended.

Wildcats slugged their way to victory with 12 tallies to the Wahos 4. Doris Mar led in this department of the game with four safe bingles out of four trips to bat, and brought in three runs.

Lily "Sunshine" Mar was erratic, at times, on the mound but played heady ball and was good in the pinches. In the third inning she walked three Wahos in a row. With bases loaded and none out, Lily bared in hard to fan Yvonne Yelle and Ada Suffled. Irene Costiho popped an easy fly to first sacker Ella Ohim for the third out to retire the inning with the Wahos held scoreless.

That's pitching ball! Terese Noronha was very steady on the mound for the Gals but her slow delivery was the liking of the

WEEK-END RESULTS

Softball Scores during the week-end:

Men's International Series	
China	8 Philippines 5
Women's International Series	
Philippines	5 Portugal 3
Women's League Playoff	
Wildcats	9 Wahos 4
Inter-Hong	
H.K. Bank	11 Ewo 3
Lacas	14 H.K. Electric 13
Socony	9 Hong Kong 4

Wildcat clouters. She also tried to win her own game with the stick but was not quite successful. She rapped three hits, one of them a three bagger which was the longest blow of the fracas.

Mary Chung played a great game at the windy alley and third base for the Wildcats. She was instrumental in five put-outs and threw out a couple at the initial sack.

Irene Costiho was again sure fire at short stop for the Wahos although her batting was below par, while Mary Mar at left field played an outstanding game for the winners and accounted well with the hickory.

Lacas Just Win

Playing terrible ball Lacas were very lucky to nose out, 14-13, the Hong Kong Electric Nine last Saturday morning at La Salle ground. Nazarin pitched a half-hearted game for Lacas, yielding 19 hits to the Electricians. "Duffy" Razack's somewhat awkward and slow delivery was deceiving to the Lacas sluggers who only clouted 10 scattered hits during the encounter.

Henry Silva, the Electrician Centre fielder, was like a flash squeezing flies in the outfield, while George Souza at short-stop for Hong Kong Electric played like a veteran, scooping hot grounders on the fast field. M. Sabhan and Laurel made a Ruthian clout each. M. Arculli the Lacas short-stop was the only player in his team who really played good ball, while H. M. Britto did his duty well at the initial sack for the Electric boys.

Socony continued in their winning streak last Sunday when they subdued the Hong Kong Bank aggregation 9-4.

Figueredo pitched a good game for the Oilers and was well back by the fielders. A. V. Gosano, Harris and Brown were again the outstanding players for Socony. Gerry Gosano twirled a creditable game for the Bankers but was poorly supported on the field. The Bankers' poor base running robbed them of the chance of scoring more runs.

Recruiting two players from the spectators to complete a team, Ewo went down 11-3 in a one sided game against the Hong Kong Bankers. E Silva pitched for Ewo and was knocked all over the lot. Gerry Gosano hurled for the Bankers and held the Beer men to six measly hits. Dougle Hung's and Gerry Gosano's homers featured the clash.

Fielding averages in the Men's League this past season will be published in all editions of "The China Mail" to-morrow.

ENGLAND PROBABLES TRIAL

A fast and interesting hockey match was played at King's Park yesterday when the England Probables for the International tourney which starts to-morrow lost to the Battalion team of the Kumaon Rifles by 3 goals to 2.

Capt. Loch, Nerain Singh, and Partaub scored for the winners, while Marshall and G. H. Fowler netted for England.

DUTCH HOCKEY WIN

Amsterdam, To-day: — The Netherlands hockey team beat Scotland yesterday by 4 goals to nil.

The Dutch team led at the interval by 1-0.

The winners played extremely well, especially the forwards who were very fast and technically better than the Scots. — Trans-Ocean.

KOTEWALL CUP

DUNCAN'S FINE DISPLAY

(By "UBIQUE")

Brilliant goalkeeping by Duncan of the Army, featured the Kotewall Charity Cup football match yesterday when South China won by the odd goal in three in a game in which both teams missed numerous opportunities of scoring.

The Army made only one change in their advertised team, Guy playing at left half, in place of May, while South China were without several of their best players among whom were Lee Wai-tong, Mak Shui-hon and Lee Kwok-wai.

The Chinese were much the faster team and in the first half had the Army defence puzzled by their passing and positional play. During that period Duncan was called upon many times, and saved three goals by leaving his charge at the right time. Army intermediate line did not settle down till after the interval when they were much improved.

Army have themselves to blame to a great extent for their defeat, for, in the second period, they had their fair share of the game but would not utilise Emberson, the right wing, who on the rare occasions he obtained the ball made good use of it.

He was against the weakest department of the Chinese defence and though Lau Mau was good in blocking, he was never comfortable with high balls and his tackling and clearances were weak.

Duffield, on the left wing, sent over several good centres but Saw spoiled many a good movement by dilly-dallying with the ball and allowing the opposing defence to get into position. Courtney played a hard game, assisting the defence greatly, but he too was guilty of neglecting his right wing, and was prone to send the ball to the left.

RIDES PROMINENT

In the intermediate line Rides, at right half for the Army, shone and played a steady and useful game throughout. He watched Lau Tau-man well and kept up with his forwards.

Lee Ting-sang, at right back for South China, played a sound game and effectively covered Lau Mau who was often very shaky under pressure, while he still found time to assist Kwok Ying-kee, his half back.

Cheung Wing-choy did not have many difficult shots to deal with. He was safe with the high ones and showed good anticipation.

Tang Kwong-sum, on the right wing, gave one of his best performances this season and showed a good turn of speed, besides centring well. He had Guy continually on the run and was often interchanging position during play, with Fung King-cheong.

Chan Tak-fai was a forceful leader and should have met with more success but for the display of Duncan. He was always dangerous with the through passes from Lai Shui-wing and Fung King-cheong.

THE PLAY

The Army took the lead in the first few minutes of the game when Saw scored from a penalty awarded for a foul by Lau Mau. After a period of sustained pressure the Chinese drew level through Lai Shui-wing and went ahead a few minutes after when Chan Tak-fai netted from close range. After that Duffield sent in a beautiful shot which had Choy beaten all the way but Calvert was ruled offside.

At the other end, Fung, with an empty goal, hit the cross-bar. Lai Shui-wing broke through and with Duncan on the ground sent in a shot which Duncan diverted for a corner.

In the second half the Army played much better and went near scoring several times but no forward would shoot. Emberson had a good chance of equalising when well placed, he shot high. A header from Calvert was tipped over the bar by Choy in the closing stages.

NEW SPORT FOR COLONY

Racing Pigeon Club Attracts Large Number Of Enthusiasts

SHANGHAI TO H.K. RACE ENVISAGED

(By "ADREM")

HONG KONG has taken unto itself yet another sport, a nice clean sport and one which should commend itself to many who have never given pigeons a thought.

For that's what it is—pigeon racing.

It sounds tame enough but members of the newly-formed Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Club will tell you that it is a most interesting and fascinating pastime and if present schemes for the Colony go through, there is no limit to the scope which will be opened up for fanciers.

HOCKEY

Colony's Third Success

The Hong Kong Women's hockey team capped a successful three days of hockey with a brilliant win over the Shanghai Women's champions, the "Greens" whom they beat by the convincing margin of 8 goals to 1, after leading by 4-1 at the interval.

Scorers for Hong Kong were Mrs. Read (4), Miss Harker (2), Miss Greig and Miss Westcott.—Reuter.

Hong Kong won the Interport match on Saturday by 4-0, and on Sunday, beat the Rest of Shanghai by 4-2, after being two goals down at the interval.

The Interport dinner and dance takes place at the Shanghai Race Club tonight.

INTERNATIONAL TOURNEY TO-MORROW

The following are the England, Scotland, Ireland and Portugal teams for the local International hockey tournament which will take place at King's Park to-morrow at 5.15.

Portugal:—B. Alves (Nomads); R. Xavier (Nomads) and Dr. E. L. Gossano (Recreio); R. A. Marques (Recreio), J. Gonsalves (Recreio) and A. M. Alves (Recreio); J. Fonseca (Recreio), Dr. A. M. Rodriguez (Recreio), J. M. Pinto (K.I.T.C.), N. A. Beltrao (Recreio), A. P. Souza (K.I.T.C.); reserve, R. Silva (Nomads).

Ireland:—J. W. Dove; Pte. Painting and Pte. Gorman; Pte. Courtney, Sgt. W. A. Land and A. N. O'Neil; G. S. Wilson, Pte. Sheehan, Sgt. Dawson, C. Wall, Sig. Blount; reserves: Sig. Holland and D. Leonard.

England:—Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.), V. C. Bond (Club) and L. Bdr. Carter (R.A.), Bdr. Dilmot (R.A.), Lieut. Hook (R.A.) (Captain) and E. Fowler (C.B.A.); S. A. Fowler (Club), Lt. Gemmel (R. Navy), G. H. Fowler (Club), Bdr. Marshall (R.A.) and L. Col. Dunne (Middlesex). Reserves: Lt. Chattey (Middlesex), J. Parker (Police) and Bdr. Bright (Middlesex).

Scotland:—Howlett (Police); D. Taylor (Y.M.C.A.) and Pte. Neave (R. Scots); J. Kempton (Y.M.C.A.), D. McLellan (Y.M.C.A.) and N. Whitley (Club); Capt. Mackenzie Kennedy (Royal Scots), Lt. J. A. H. Douglas (Royal Scots), Cpl. Hitchcock (Royal Scots—if fit); L. Col. Austen (R. C. Signals) Drum-Major Deenan (Royal Scots), Pte. McKie (Royal Scots) and W. J. Pryde (G.B.S.).

The following is the draw:—
England v. Scotland. (C.B.A. ground).
Wales v. Ireland. (U.S.R.C. ground).
Portugal v. The Continent. (Club ground).
India v. China. (Recreio ground).

Mrs. E. Soong, returned the best score for women for the month of March at Puck's at the Hong Kong Bowling Alley, chalking up 168 points. Mr. P. Chessier was the most successful in the men's division, scoring 142. Mrs. S. A. Jamell topped the women's scores in the Ten Pins game, recording a score of 192 while Mr. J. S. Laidlaw topped the men's section with 245.

It may sound a trifle ambitious considering that organised pigeon racing here is still in its infancy, but I have been told that as soon as conditions out here clear up a bit, races from Shanghai to Hong Kong—a matter of 700 miles as the crow, or rather I should say the pigeon, flies—will be held regularly.

Man behind the new Club is J. T. K. Gilchrist, who has bred and raced pigeons for years.

Unfortunately from his point of view, only opportunities Gilchrist has had to try his birds out against others, was when he went on leave every five years.

On his last leave—he only returned a few months ago—Gilchrist's birds met with such outstanding success that he decided that when he got back to Hong Kong he would see if something could not be done to stimulate interest.

Not Starting From Zero

It might be mentioned here that Gilchrist's birds have found their way to lofts all over the Colony. From time to time he has either sold or given away various specimens, which have multiplied, and so it has gone on.

The Club is not therefore starting from zero. That there are a fairly large number of fanciers in the Colony was indicated by the attendance at a meeting which was held recently as a feeler.

Number of people who turned up was in the region of 20.

Gilchrist put his plans before them and recounted some of his experiences at Home. Enthusiasm was stimulated and it was decided definitely that a club be formed.

The ultimate aim of the organisers is affiliation with the Home Union. This will make it possible for local fanciers to compete in races held in the United Kingdom on the basis of



J. T. K. Gilchrist, First President of the newly formed Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Club and a member of the National Homing Union at home, displaying the cup which his partner, Mr. W. J. Gilchrist, and he won when their birds competed in a race from Bordeaux, France, to London (a distance of over 400 miles) while flying with the Orpington and District Homing Society, 1938.

an exchange of times over certified distances.

For the moment, present hostilities between China and Japan, which extend almost to our doorstep, will necessitate limitation of scope to areas within the confines of the Colony.

Immediate Prospects

Later, when conditions become more settled, it is hoped to branch out in a manner which will make the races organised by the Club comparable to some of the most ambitious of those held under the auspices of the National Homing Union in the United Kingdom.

As I have already stated, these races will be extended to cover courses as far afield as Shanghai, but before then, courses from Manila to Hong Kong, the various coast ports to Hong Kong and other places still nearer, will give fanciers opportunities to try out the paces of their birds.

Just one word of warning to those sportsmen who occupy their spare time shooting birds. Please keep a look-out for Homing pigeons.

For the information of these gentlemen, homing pigeons keep together in flights of varying numbers whereas wood-pigeons fly singly or in twos, never more.

Those interested in the new Club will be able to receive any particulars from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Henry Castro, c/o Messrs. Loxley and Company.

YESTERDAY'S RALLY

First rally of the Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Club took place at the Kowloon Railway Station yesterday morning and although the support expected from the Services was not as great as expected, the meeting proved an outstanding success.

About 20 fanciers attended and birds were liberated at 10.30, making an interesting sight.

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HOME FOOTBALL

Everton's Smashing Victory

London, To-day.

By a smashing victory over Sunderland yesterday, Everton practically assured themselves of the First Division championship, having secured maximum points during the Easter programme. With four matches to play, they have an eight points lead of Wolves, who have a match in hand. Thus Everton can drop five of their last eight points and still win, even if Wolves win their last five games in succession.

At the foot of the table, Birmingham could only draw at home and both Leicester and Chelsea were defeated. Two of these three clubs are destined to go down.

In the Second Division, the Blackburn championship loomed nearer, but the problem of who will accompany them into the First Division remains far from settled. Wednesday now lie second with 46 points, followed by Luton (46) Sheffield United (45) Chesterfield (45) Coventry (45) and Tottenham (45) in that order. Failure of Norwich to win at home is likely to doom them to accompany Tranmere back into the Third Division.

The results as cabled by Reuter, follow:

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal	2	Blackpool	1
Birmingham	0	Liverpool	0
Chelsea	1	Charlton	3
Derby	0	Portsmouth	1
Everton	6	Sunderland	2
Leeds	3	M'chester U.	1
Middlesbro'	3	Leicester	2
Preston	2	Brentford	0
Stoke	4	Bolton	1
Wolves	2	Aston Villa	1

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	2	Fulham	1
M'chester C.	0	Bury	0
Norwich	1	Coventry	1
Plymouth	0	Tottenham	1
Wednesday	3	Millwall	1
Southampton	0	Luton	4
Swansea	1	Tranmere	0
West Brom.	0	Notts. F.	0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth	2	Brighton	0
Bristol C.	1	Crystal P.	1
Cardiff	1	Southend	0
Exeter	2	Clapton	1
Ipswich	1	Queen's P.R.	0
Northampton	0	Swindon	2
Notts. C.	4	Port Vale	0
Reading	0	Mansfield	0
Torquay	1	Newport	1
Walsall	2	Bristol R.	2
Watford	1	Aldershot	1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	0	Doncaster	0
Barnsley	0	Stockport	1
Barrow	0	Chester	1
Gateshead	2	Hartlepool	0
Hull	1	Hull	0
Bradford C.	3	New Brighton	3
Oldham	1	Lincoln	0
Rochdale	5	Crawley	0
Rotherham	1	Southport	0
Wrexham	3	Darlington	1
York	4	Carlisle	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Clyde	4	Third Lanark	1
Queen's Park	1	Celtic	2

—Reuter.

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pressive spectacle as they circled round the Railway Tower before breaking away and proceeding to their various lofts in all parts of the Colony. The Hon. Secretary of the Club, Mr. H. A. Castro, then received reports by telephone at Kowloon Tong. All birds were checked in within 20 minutes of being liberated.

Other People's Views They Say - -

A pity that the scoffers who chant about our young men "going soft" could not have been on the Baseball Ground for the Derby County-Everton Cup-tie. They would have been spellbound at the pace—the terrific energy displayed on a swampy pitch, the very appearance of which was enough to break a hundred hearts.—Clifford Webb.

Boxing is all right; there is nothing wrong with boxing. All it needs is some clear, sane thinking and action, instead of the present confusion, so that boxing can again become what it was originally intended to be—a sport and not a business.—Edward C. Foster, secretary, American N.B.A.

In previous years the most serious threat to our players in the Open Golf Championship has usually come from America. If his surfeit of golf last year does not bring staleness, A. D. Locke may be the most likely overseas player to beat the British stars this time. Whether he does or not, I am sure a big money challenge match against Henry Cotton will be the aim of his South African friends in London.—A London "Evening News" writer.

It does not seem to be generally realised how great is the assistance rendered to a player by moving with the play, even when it is only a matter of a few yards. This is noticeable when watching full backs, who under the present system of play are inclined to lie rather wide and square. They do this without taking any precaution to be in a position that would also enable them to cut off a ball put past the centre half and through the middle.—Arthur Grimsdell.

Far too much is made of the familiar phrase about "keeping bowlers fresh," as also of the need for nursing the bowlers. I am confident that both these theories are done to death, and that part of the general world-shortage of top-class bowlers is directly due to the fact that most of the best ones are not kept on in long enough spells.—E. H. D. Sewell.

Tennis could solve most of its difficulties if it realised that the need for distinction between amateurs and professionals is too slight to be worth retaining. The same applies to golf, except that some playing distinction is necessary. The standard of professional golf is so much higher than that of the club amateur that the latter must be allowed some competitions away from

BEN FOORD TO FIGHT AGAIN

Capetown, (By Airmail).—Ben Foord, the former British and Empire heavy-weight champion, who announced his retirement from the ring last September, is to fight again. He will meet James J. Britt, the Capetown ex-policeman, who has fought successfully in England in a contest here on June 2.

After his defeat by George James, the Welsh heavy-weight, last September, Foord said that he would never fight again, and he returned to South Africa.

the opposition of professionals if he is to win anything. Otherwise I am among those who favour an end to distinction between the two sets of players.—A writer in the "Star".

The unfortunate decision to abandon has left a loophole should there ever be another to-a-finish Test match. Teams know that they have only to dawdle and sooner or later somebody in authority is likely to step in and get the thing called off.—A writer in the "Daily Sketch".

Arthur Dunn Cup Final

REMARKABLE RECORD

(By AIR MAIL)

The Arthur Dunn cup final between Old Carthusians and Old Cholmeleians, at the Hurlingham polo ground, is attracting greater public attention than any previous final in this competition has aroused, and a record attendance is wisely being provided for. The steadily increased interest in this competition during the last three years has been due to the improvement in Old Boy football, and the keen struggles the ties have produced.

In reaching the final for the third time in their history, Old Cholmeleians had to play three matches with Old Chigwellians in the first round before gaining the right to meet Old Citizens in the second round. Although they then defeated Old Citizens and Old Aldenhamians convincingly, Old Cholmeleians are rather fortunate to be in the final, for in their first game on Chigwellians' ground they were saved from defeat by a lucky goal scored two minutes from time. Old Carthusians are also fortunate to reach the final, for, after two great matches with Old Bradfieldians they only obtained the winning goal luckily in the second match in the closing minute of extra time.

The records of the pair in advancing to the final are:

O. CARTHUSIANS

O. Foresters	3—0
O. Wykehamists	2—1
O. Bradfieldians	2—2
O. Bradfieldians	1—0

O. CHOLMELEIANS

O. Chigwellians	3—3
O. Chigwellians	1—1
O. Chigwellians	5—0
O. Citizens	4—1
O. Aldenhamians	3—1

While Old Cholmeleians have only twice previously reached this final, Old Carthusians have a remarkable record in the competition. They were joint holders with Old Salopians in the first year, 1903. Then they won the trophy three years in succession between 1904 and 1906, an achievement they repeated between 1921 and 1923. Altogether, they have so far played in twelve finals, and have won the cup nine times and been joint holders once. In their nine victories they have scored 21 goals against four, meeting Old Rossallians (twice), Old Reptonians (twice), Old Wykehamists, Old Aldenhamians (twice), Old Malvernians, and Old Bradfieldians.

THEIR MANY FEATS

Apart from their Arthur Dunn cup record, Old Carthusians, established over fifty years ago, have won both the Amateur and London Charity Cups. The club has also given England seventeen notable international players. Of these, the incomparable brothers A. M. and P. M. Walters, C. Wyford-Brown, W. N. Cobbold, and G. O. Smith played frequently against Ireland, Scotland, and Wales; and A. Amos, E. Currey, and C. Parry against Scotland and Wales. The other great Old Carthusian internationals were R. Anderson, A. Bower, W. Gilliat, J. Prinsen, M. Stanborough, C. Ryder, T. Rowlandson, W. Timmis, and R. Thorne-Thorne. Other exceptional Carthusians who did not gain international honours were G. Vassall, J. Morrison, A. Hale-Brown, W. Moss, W. Stanborough, R. Caldwell, G. Hollebong, J. Field, S. Gilchrist and J. Lomas.

BEAT DECIMA NORMAN

A most intriguing situation has arisen in Australian women's running. Eighteen-year-old Joyce Walker, a Sydney factory worker, is the cause of it. In Sydney recently she beat Decima Norman, the Empress's woman sprint champion, equalling the world's 100 yards record of 15.5 sec. Decima Norman has not improved. It is Miss Walker who has improved. But all said and done there is only a matter of inches between this path at any time, and in all future meetings the issue will be in doubt. Great material here for a series of epic contests.

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Rose Elect's Success In Easter Stakes

GLORIOUS weather greeted the opening event on the Second Day of the Second Extra Race Meeting.

There was only a small crowd present in the morning but after lunch all the enclosures were packed.

As was generally expected, Rose Elect won the Easter Stakes. Brilliantly ridden by Mr. Encarnacao, this pony responded well in the last quarter to win comfortably by two lengths from Bear Claw.

Dividends were extremely small until the Eighth Race, when Discovery Bay (Mr. S. L. Yuen) won unexpectedly to pay his supporters \$434.30 for a win and \$75.50 for a place.

The Ninth Race also provided an upset Fei Ying (Mr. Proulx) paying \$156.50 for a win.

The winning combination for the Daily Double was National Victory (Mr. Chanson) and Wilber (Mr. Raymond). Ninety-four punters were rewarded with the satisfactory dividend of \$84.40.

1.—Easter Stakes.—One Mile. Eu Tong Sen's Rose Elect, 168 lbs., (C. Encarnacao) 1 Mrs. Dunbar's Bear Claw, 143 lbs., (D. Black) 2 Dynasty's King's Warden, 148 lbs., (V. V. Needa) 3 Also ran:—Moonlight View, 140 lbs., (H. C. Pih). Won by two lengths; six lengths. Time: 1.55 (Equals record). Pari-mutuel, winner \$5.40; places, 1st \$5.10; 2nd \$5.10.

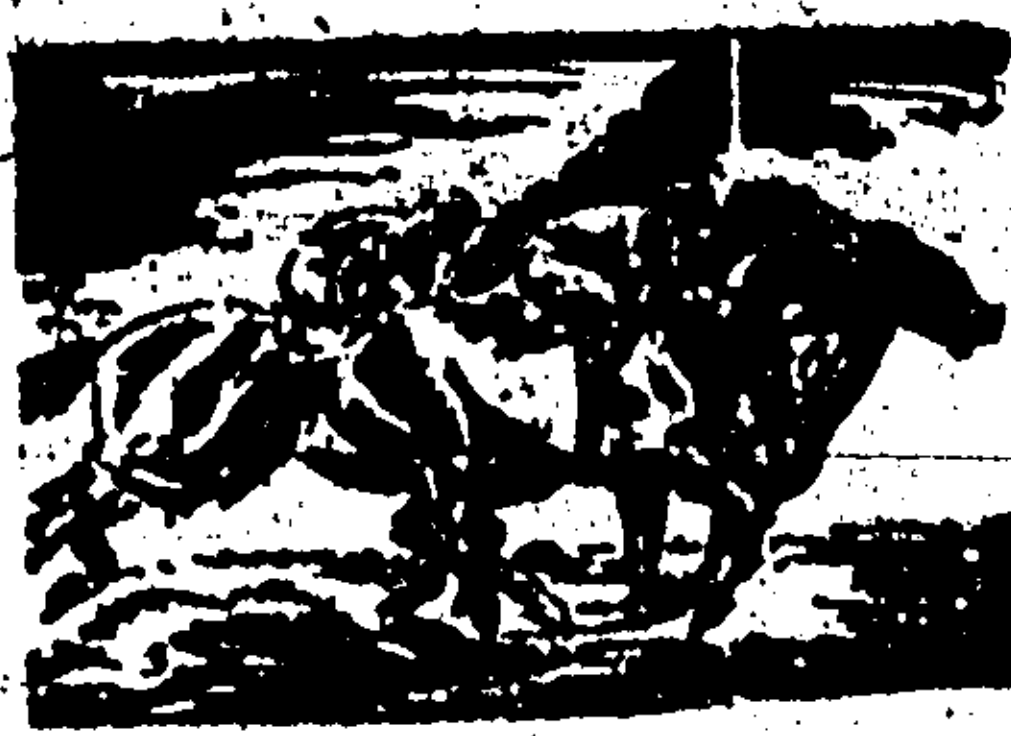
2.—Calliope Handicap.—About Half Mile 170 Yards. Dr. S. N. Chau's Derby Day, 155 lbs., (H. C. Pih) 1 G. Tinson's Vixen Tor, 164 lbs., (B. A. Proulx) 2 John Peel's Criffel, 160 lbs., (C. Encarnacao) 3 Also ran:—Aztec, 145 lbs., (R. L. Brody); Candlelight, 152 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei); Centre Court, 160 lbs., (S. W. Tang); Devonian, 148 lbs., (D. Black); King's Privilege, 154 lbs., (V. V. Needa); Snowy River, 165 lbs., (A. W. Raymond); Tornado Star, 157 lbs., (S. W. Pan); and Victory Day, 150 lbs., (S. L. Yuen). 11 starters. Won by 3/4 length; short head. Time: 1.01-4/5. Pari-mutuel, winner \$23.30; places, 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$7.00; 3rd \$6.00.

3.—Kellett Handicap.—First Section.—One Mile. Quartermaster's Jennifer, 168 lbs., (B. A. Proulx) 1 Cocoa's King Kong, 148 lbs., (A. W. Raymond) 2 Eu Tong Sen's Rose Emily, 158 lbs., (W. G. Poy) 3 Also ran:—Blue Diamond, 155 lbs., (T. Y. Woo); Forgotten Star, 161 lbs., (H. P. Chanson); Musketeer, 147 lbs., (C. F. Chui); and Rose Evelyn, 165 lbs., (C. Encarnacao). 7 starters. Won by 1/2 length; the same. Time: 1.59-4/5. Pari-mutuel, winner \$19.70; places, 1st \$7.80; 2nd \$7.80; 3rd \$12.90.

4.—Boa Vista Handicap.—First Section.—About One Mile 171 Yards. J. E. Macgregor's Strathbannock, 161 lbs., (D. Black) 1 Braes's Sylvandale, 168 lbs., (V. V. Needa) 2 Helenside's Valorous, 162 lbs., (Ip. Kui-ying) 3 Also ran:—Dekko, 154 lbs., (B. A. Proulx); Desert Star, 150 lbs., (S. W. Tang); Ebony Idol, 147 lbs., (A. W. Raymond); Flybynight, 148 lbs., (S. L. Yuen); Gold Sovereign, 148 lbs., (T. Fung); Plain View, 142 lbs., (H. C. Pih); and Portrush, 155 lbs., (C. En-

Have You Won?

Race 1		Race 2	
No. 1880	\$1348.20	No. 2000	\$1276.10
" 2244	385.20	" 1629	304.60
" 281	192.60	" 704	182.30
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Race 3		Race 4	
No. 788	\$1,615.60	No. 209	\$1317.00
" 1652	461.60	" 1095	402.00
" 2844	230.80	" 2558	231.00
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 439, 1123, 162, 3158.		Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 2192, 382, 360, 1684, 455, 2885, 242.	
Race 5		Race 6	
No. 1820	\$1856.40	No. 1479	\$1864.80
" 1095	530.40	" 1323	532.80
" 1048	265.20	" 2099	266.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 295, 2987, 2698, 2518, 131, 1604, 334.		Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 3426, 2049, 2535, 2155, 2271, 973.	
Race 7		Race 8	
No. 794	\$1719.20	No. 2899	\$1786.40
" 2002	491.20	" 1112	510.40
" 1171	245.60	" 3002	255.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 2851, 677, 2748, 2080, 386, 3748, 2549, 4286, 476, 1371, 2627, 1193, 4288, 3637, 3122, 2327, 2006.		Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 1843, 3282, 1360, 1577, 2811, 3279, 2106, 1370, 3161.	
Race 9		Race 10	
No. 2601	\$2112.60	No. 655	\$4,102.00
" 1893	603.60	" 1871	1,172.00
" 1733	301.80	Nos. 76 and 2943 \$293.00 each.	
Unplaced runners (\$50 each), Nos. 2795, 2681, 173, 4126, 277.		Unplaced runners (\$100 each), Nos. 2680, 4126, 317, 4071, 380, 75.	
5.—Coolgardie Stakes.—One Mile. Why's National Victory, 152 lbs., (H. P. Chanson) 1 Gredka's Murrumbidgee, 151 lbs., (D. Black) 2 G. Treverton's Bruno, 147 lbs., (C. F. H. Churchill) 3 Also ran:—African Diamond, 147 lbs., (B. A. Proulx); Amber II, 150 lbs., (Ip. Kui-ying); A. Roaring Time, 149 lbs., (V. V. Needa); Baffin Bay, 145 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei); Helium, 135 lbs., (R. C. H. C. Eyne); Ruby Star, 145 lbs., (A. W. Raymond); and Schmetterling, 149 lbs., (T. W. Chalvey). 10 starters. Won by 1/2 length; a neck. Time: 1.50-1/5. Pari-mutuel, winner \$20.80; places, 1st \$8.80; 2nd \$5.90; 3rd \$13.50.		8.—Cabramatta Handicap.—About One Mile 171 Yards. Li Shiu Hang's Discovery Day, 140 lbs., (S. L. Yuen) 1 Li Po Chun & Son's A Great Time, 162 lbs., (T. Y. Woo) 2 Gredka's Macquarie River, 141 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei) 3 Also ran:—Annabella, 165 lbs., (A. W. Raymond); Cape York, 140 lbs., (C. F. H. Churchill); Dick Turpin, 163 lbs., (W. G. Poy); Murray River, 148 lbs., (D. Black); Perfect Day, 140 lbs., (S. W. Tang); Strathcarrick, 157 lbs., (B. A. Proulx); Twilight Star, 153 lbs., (H. C. Pih); Violet Queen, 138 lbs., (G. Treverton); and Zodiac, 155 lbs., (S. C. Liang). 12 starters. Won by a length; short head. Time: 1.59-2/5. Pari-mutuel, winner \$484.80; places, 1st \$75.50; 2nd \$3.80; 3rd \$51.50.	
6.—Kellett Handicap.—Second Section.—One Mile. Lan's Scenic View, 159 lbs., (H. C. Pih) 1 Billy's Rose-Queen, 153 lbs., (C. Encarnacao) 2 Why's Bistre, 150 lbs., (H. P. Chanson) 3 Also ran:—Amberley, 153 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei); Bright View, 156 lbs., (L. B. Chao); Gold Coin, 140 lbs., (P. L. Chui); King's Lead, 163 lbs., (V. V. Needa); Laughing Girl, 153 lbs., (S. C. Liang); and Night View, 148 lbs., (Y. T. Wei). 9 starters. Won by a length; three lengths. Time: 2.02-1/5. Pari-mutuel, winner \$9.50; places, 1st \$5.30; 2nd \$7.10; 3rd \$12.20.		9.—Boa Vista Handicap.—Second Section.—About One Mile 171 Yards. H. & H's Fei Ying, 148 lbs., (B. A. Proulx) 1 Li Po Chun's This Time, 163 lbs., (T. Y. Woo) 2 J. Lo's Willynilly, 152 lbs., (L. B. Chao) 3 Also ran:—Golden Cow, 154 lbs., (C. F. Chui); Racing Boy, 150 lbs., (H. P. Chanson); Silver Star, 150 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei); and Tabby Cat, 140 lbs., (H. C. Pih). 8 starters. Won by 1/2 length; two lengths. Time: 2.01-3/5. Pari-mutuel, winner \$155.30; places, 1st \$30.00; 2nd \$9.00; 3rd \$7.30.	
7.—Sugar Loaf Stakes.—About Half Mile 171 Yards. Marber 1's Wilber, 152 lbs., (A. W. Raymond) 1 Melody's Green Day, 156 lbs., (B. L. Tao) 2		10.—Pokfulam Stakes.—One Mile. John Peel's Millcay, 149 lbs., (V. V. Needa) 1 Li & Edgar's Tiny Tim, 148 lbs., (F. F. Li) 2 S. T. Williamson's Sea Horse, 151 lbs., (B. A. Proulx) 3 Sports's Sports Venture, 152 lbs., (C. Encarnacao) 3 Also ran:—Battleship, 145 lbs., (H. C. Poy); Bressay, 155 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei); Gallant Marshal, 148 lbs., (W. G. Poy); Guinness Time, 157 lbs., (T. Y. Woo); Opening Batsman, 151 lbs., (Y. T. Wei); and Wild Bear, 148 lbs., (H. C. Pih). 10 starters. Won by two lengths; length and half. Time: 2.07-3/5. Dead Heat. Pari-mutuel, winner \$10.00; places, 1st \$5.60; 2nd \$9.00; 3rd \$6.00, \$5.70.	



Chuang Ho Yen's Welcome, 161 lbs., (L. B. Chao) 3 Also ran:—Black Diamond, 152 lbs., (S. W. Tang); Blaisdon, 158 lbs., (B. A. Proulx); Bogey, 155 lbs., (C. F. H. Churchill); Charcoal, 152 lbs., (Tang Man-wa); Heddon, 161 lbs., (D. Black); National Service, 153 lbs., (Yeung Wing Kwai); Old Fashioned, 155 lbs., (C. Encarnacao); Patriotic Day, 161 lbs., (H. P. Chanson); Rose Day, 155 lbs., (P. L. Chu); Some Hope, 155 lbs., (V. V. Needa); Talkative, 158 lbs., (P.

COLONY TENNIS

Thursday's "Epic" To Be Repeated

(By "ADREM")

To-day's doubles match in the Colony Tennis Championships between W. A. H. Duff and T. A. Pearce and Lee Yu-wing and Ho Ka-lau on the Stand Court should attract a large crowd.

It will be recalled—that when these two pairs met on Thursday, the proceedings had to be called off at 6.45 with the score at 5-all in the final set.

On that occasion, the first set, which the Chinese pair won 15-18, provided one of the most thrilling tussles seen in the tournament for years.

Alec Pearce's overhead let the British pair down badly on Thursday but I feel that if he gives up the idea of "killing" in the initial stages and just concentrates on getting them back, he will be distinctly more useful to the combination.

I expect Duff and Pearce to win as the latter will have benefitted greatly from the experience gained last week.

NEW COMBINATIONS

Another fairly interesting match should be that between A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios and Stephen Wong and Lim Thian-tet on No. 8 Court. Both these combination, as combinations, are new to the tournament, but both have met with real success. A good fight should eventuate with the result very open.

Tsui Yan-pui should have little difficulty in beating Alec Crawford in the only other Tournament game.

The following is the programme, giving the number of the court on which the match is being played:

Open Singles

Tsui Yun-pui v. A. Crawford (4).

Open Doubles

Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau v. T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff (Stand Court); Lim Thian-tet and Stephen Wong v. A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (8).

Club Championship

H. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald (7).

Club Handicap Singles

T. J. Price (-1.6) v. W. Wooding (scr.) (1); T. J. Gould (-15) v. L. Goldman (-30) (6).

Handicap Mixed Doubles

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Walkden (+2.6) v. H. J. Scull and Miss G. Scull (+3.6) (2); W. Sander and Miss A. Taylor (-15) v. V. R. Gordon and Mrs. She-wan (-3.6) (3).

10.—Pokfulam Stakes.—One Mile.

John Peel's Millcay, 149 lbs., (V. V. Needa) 1

Li & Edgar's Tiny Tim, 148 lbs., (F. F. Li) 2

S. T. Williamson's Sea Horse, 151 lbs., (B. A. Proulx) 3

Sports's Sports Venture, 152 lbs., (C. Encarnacao) 3

Also ran:—Battleship, 145 lbs., (H. C. Poy); Bressay, 155 lbs., (P. Y. T. Wei); Gallant Marshal, 148 lbs., (W. G. Poy); Guinness Time, 157 lbs., (T. Y. Woo); Opening Batsman, 151 lbs., (Y. T. Wei); and Wild Bear, 148 lbs., (H. C. Pih).

10 starters. Won by two lengths; length and half. Time: 2.07-3/5.

Dead Heat.

Pari-mutuel, winner \$10.00; places, 1st \$5.60; 2nd \$9.00; 3rd \$6.00, \$5.70.

Tchaikowsky's Fifth Symphony In E Minor

Today's Wireless

An Hour Of Variety: London Relays

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Raymond Newell (Baritone) and The New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Zampa Overture (Herold); Romance (Tchaikowsky)...New Light Symphony Orchestra.

The Rivetter (Sievier & Arlon); Where's The Sergeant? (Longstaffe); Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Orchestra.

"The Dubarry"—Selection...New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Rale Da Costa (Piano)...

"Whoopee"—Medley (Kahn & Donaldson); "Monte Carlo"—Medley (Whiting & Harling)...assisted by The Night Club Kings.

"Goodnight Vienna"—Medley; "Sunshine Susie"—Medley...with Harry Jacobson (Piano).

1.15 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 p.m.—Dante Music.

Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bundle; Fox-Trot—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be; Waltz—Moonlight On The Prairie (film same)...Joe Loss & His Orchestra.

1.40 p.m.—Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 p.m.—An hour of Variety with Gracie Fields, Arthur Askey, Charlie Kunz and Murgatroyd & Winterbottom.

tom. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 9. Intro: Sympathy; You needn't have kept it a secret; You're here, you're there; So Rare; Stardust on the moon; That old feeling... Charlie Kunz (Piano) with Rhythm Accompaniment.

We've Got To Keep Up With The Joneses (Rutherford, Elliott); Winter Draws On (Haines, Harper)...Gracie Fields (Vocal) with Orchestra.

The Seaside (Frankau-Handley-Crick); Clothes (Frankau-Handley-Crick)...Murgatroyd & Winterbottom (Two minds with not a single thought with Monte Crick at the Piano).

I Stumbled Over Love—Fox-Trot... Roy Fox & His Orchestra with Vocal by Denny Dennis.

Love, Forever I Adore You (Miller & De Michel); In Your Arms Tonight (Lockton & Geehl)...Ronald Murgatroyd (Tenor) with Violin and Piano.

Waltz Medley... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.

Woof! Yap! Bow-Bow-Wow! (Damerrell, Tilsley); Have A Bit Of Pity On The Crooner (Askey-Barker)...Arthur Askey (Vocal) with Small Orchestra.

La Corrida (Valverde); Serenata (Malats, arr. Rudd)...Cestanets Solo by "La Argentina" with Orch. Bebe D'Amour (Shelton and Brooks).

Tango, Delle Rose—Tango...Serge Krotkoff & His Hawaiians.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 8. Intro: The greatest mistake of my life; Let us be sweethearts over again; Ten pretty girls; Moon at sea; No more you; Wake up and live...Charlie Kunz (Piano) with Rhythm Accompaniment.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather

Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.

Fantasia On Irish Airs (arr. Jules Mulder); Where The Woods Are Green (Brodzky—arr. Weninger); Tell Me To-night... (from same); Waltzes From Theatre-Land; Si Mes Vers Avaient Des Ailes (Hahn).

8.28 p.m.—Songs by Miliza Korjus (Soprano); Bell Song ("Lakme"—Delibes); Oriental Prayer ("Lakme"—Delibes)...with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

8.37 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera.

"Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton)...The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cream.

"Florodora"—Vocal Gems (Stuart)...Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

"Dollar Princess"—Medley (Fall)...Nat Shilkret & His Orchestra.

"The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (O. Straus)...The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Food for Thought". Short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News & Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—Songs by Theodore Chaliapine (Bass).

The Two Grenadiers (Schumann); Midnight Review (Glinka)...with Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.

Arise, Red Sun (Russian Folk Song); Song of the Needy Pilgrim (Nekrassoff-Mankin)...with the Afonsky Choir & Balalaika Orch.

10.05 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty". Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

10.11 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 5 In E Minor, Op. 64. New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ A K Q 7
 ♥ J 10 8 4 2
 ♦ Q J 6
 ♣ 8
 ♠ J 8 5 3 2
 ♥ A Q 8
 ♦ 10 2
 ♣ 5 3 1
 ♠ 9 4
 ♥ K 9 7 6 5
 ♦ A 8 7 6
 ♣ 7 6
 ♠ J 6
 ♥ K 9 4 3
 ♦ A K Q J 10 9 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♣	Pass	3♣	Pass
5♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

The above interesting hand was submitted by Mr. J. F. Schuett of Chicago, who states that he and his partner reached a five-club contract and of course found that the hand was a laydown for six. He writes, "We cannot see any way of reaching the Slam contract. Can you tell us how?"

The answer is that this is one of those many hands which make Bridge the fascinating game. It is. There is no scientific way of arriving at the Slam, and we feel that practically all expert pairs would stop at a five-club contract. However, we also know certain gambling players who might have passed up the Slam for the reason what

imagine a few timid souls who would have stopped below game.

You were Oswald Jacoby's partner yesterday and held:

♠ A Q X X X
 ♥ X
 ♦ A X
 ♣ Q X X X X
 Neither side was vulnerable.
 The bidding:
 You Schenken Jacoby Maier
 1♣ Pass 8♥ 4♠
 (1)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is to pass. While there is a strong presumption that your partner will have spade support, there is no certainty. By passing you allow him (1) to double four diamonds, which you will then set substantially; (2) to bid four hearts, in which case you will pass; (3) to bid four spades, in which case you will invite a Slam by showing your first-round control in diamonds. Score 100% for pass, 60% for four spades, 30% for double, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 70
We are indebted to C. A. Lyons of Washington, D.C. for this question. You are Merwin Maier's partner and hold:

♠ K J X X
 ♥ K J X X
 ♦ 10 8 7 6
 ♣ 10
 Both sides are vulnerable. The bidding:
 Schenken Maier Schenken You
 1♣ Dbl Pass 4♠
 Pass 4♠ Pass (1)
 What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE STAR—"Maid's Night Out", with Allan Lane and Joan Fontaine. The hilarious efforts of a marine biologist to be a good milkman in order to win a wage that will finance a scientific expedition to the South Seas are the basis of this amusing story.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Big City." Luisa Rainer and Spencer Tracy from a new and fascinating co-starring team of the Big City, the story of an immigrant girl who marries a New York taxicab driver in Norman Krasha's story of life among a big city's teeming millions.

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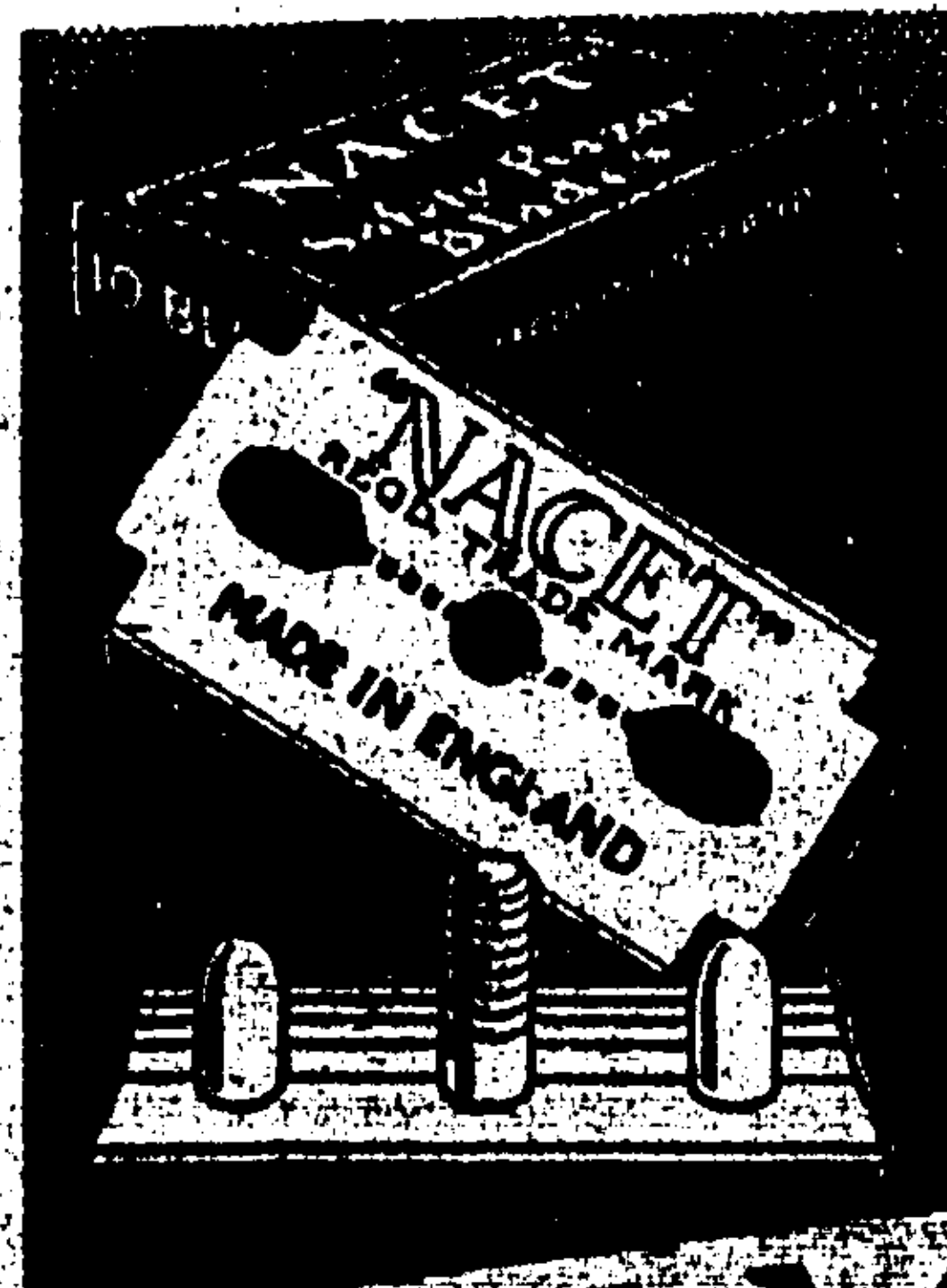
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PRECAUTIONARY MOVE BY NAVY

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REPUTATION UNDERMINED

"The Times" says that the British Cabinet will not waste time over the Italian pretexts for her invasion of Albania.

Mussolini, says the journal, has undermined his reputation in quarters to whose opinion he is not indifferent.

Albania is only a step towards a more substantial move to which both Dictators are bound.

BREAK WITH ITALY?

Trans-Ocean adds that at the conclusion of yesterday's Cabinet meeting, Lord Halifax received the Greek Minister for the second and the Rumanian Minister for the third time in the day.

Trans-Ocean learns that so far Mr. Chamberlain, who wants to avoid a complete break with Italy, seems to be getting his way.

The British Government may consider the Anglo-Italian pact valid, if Italy shows goodwill by recalling a large number of troops from Spain.

If Italy refuses, Mr. Chamberlain is expected to "go other ways" which are, however, not divulged.

GUARANTEE TO GREECE

The British guarantee to Greece is to be given, in any case, in the shape of a bilateral assistance pact similar to the Anglo-Polish treaty.

NO CHANGE IN JAPAN'S FAR EAST POLICY

Tokyo, To-day.

At the opening session of the "Central Office for East Asia" the Japanese Premier, Baron Hiranuma, declared that there would be no change in the present policy of the Japanese Government in China and the Far East.

He added that the "Central Office" aimed at the closest cooperation between the Japanese forces and all Ministers for the cultural, economic and political union of China.

Japan, he added, had no intention of interfering with the rights and interests of third powers in the Far East unless they interfered with the vital rights and interests of Japan.—Trans-Ocean.

prepared for a break with Italy, is disclosed by an official statement on Monday night that all British ships in the Mediterranean have received orders to return from their visits to the harbours of Southern France and elsewhere and proceed to their stations.

From Malta, it is reported that British ships stationed there have received orders to be "permanently ready" and to keep all men on board. The measure is described in London as "preventive and precautionary." — Trans-Ocean.



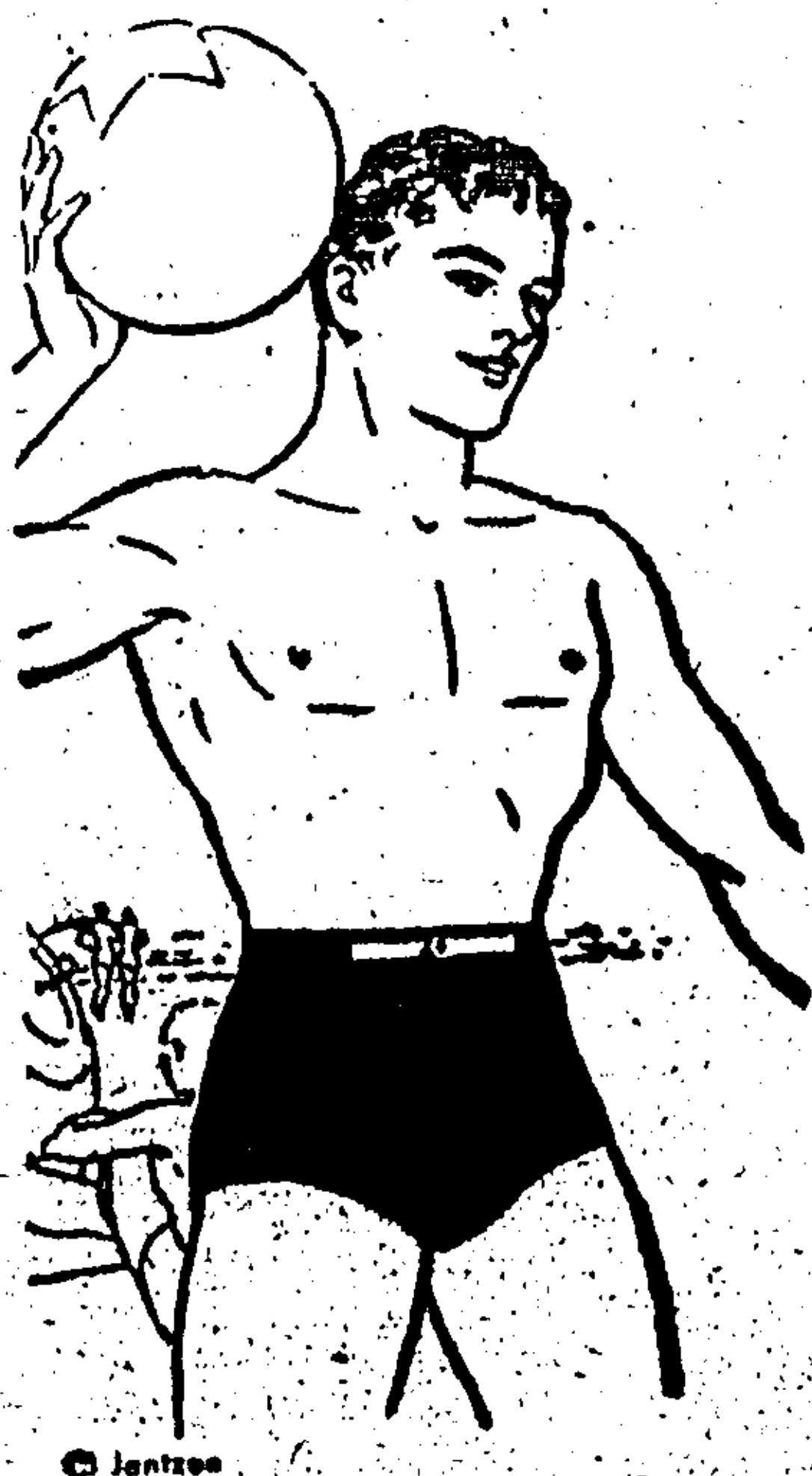
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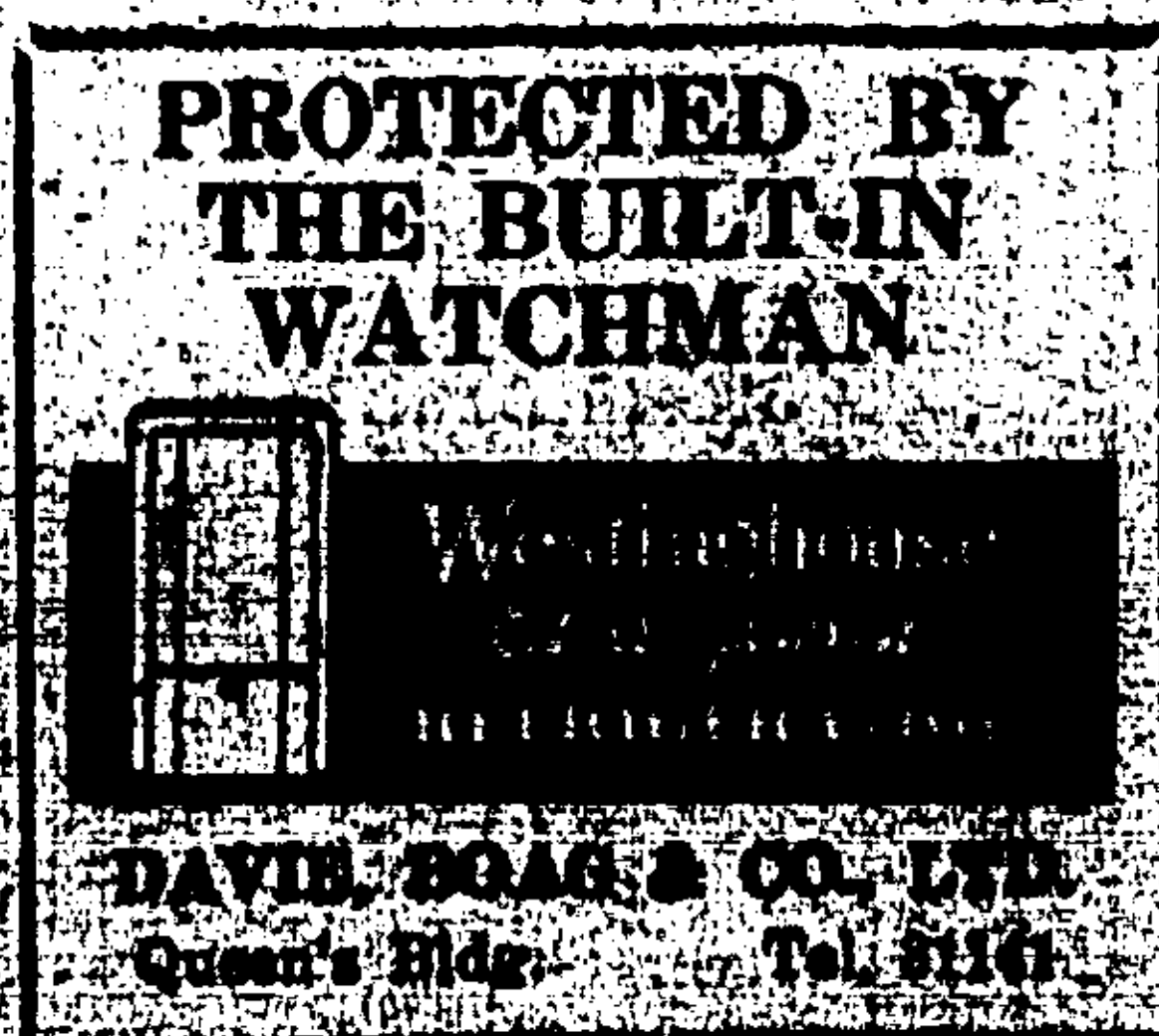
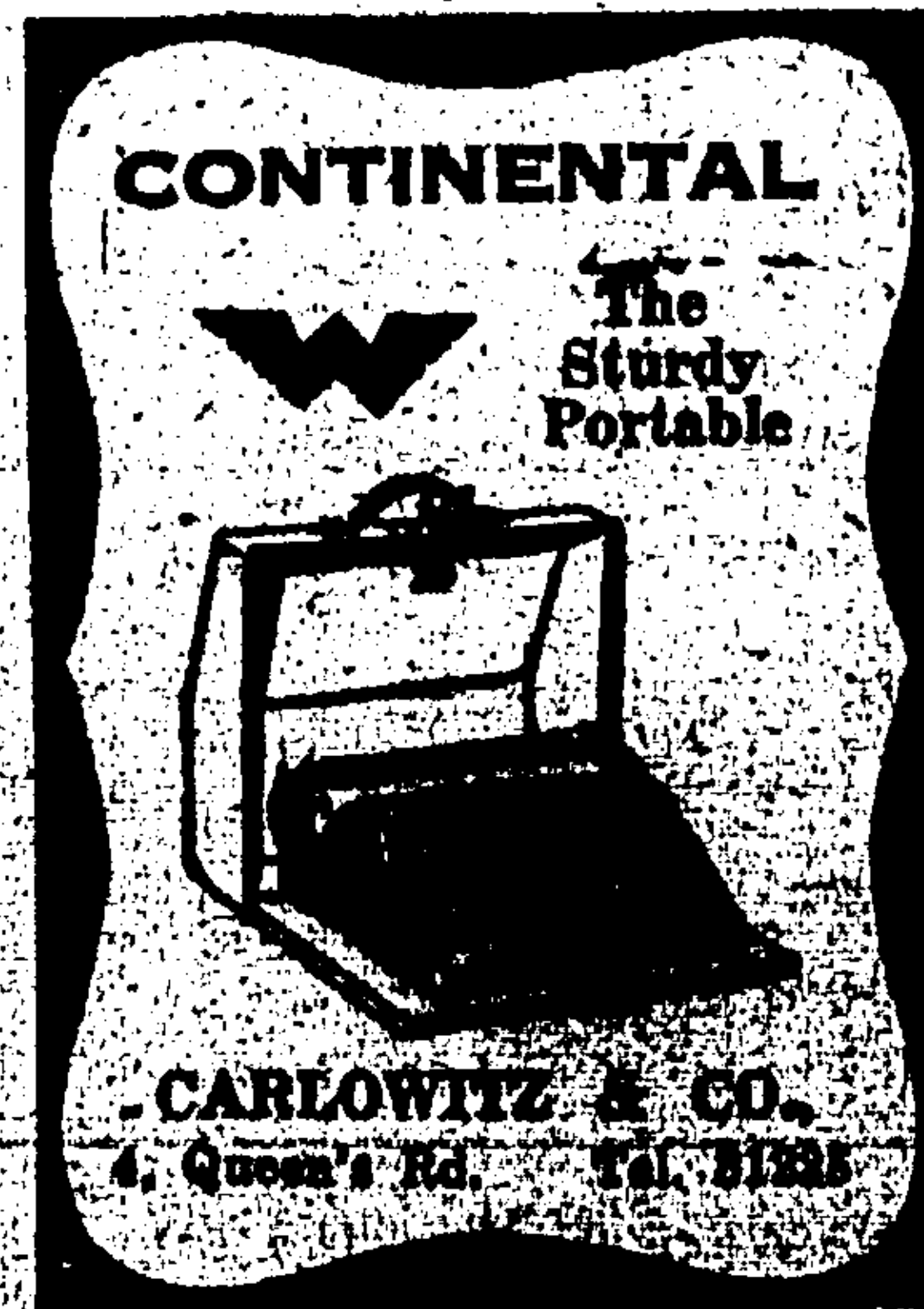
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